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## ARRAS IS RECAPTURED BY FRENCH AFTER HARD FIGHTING

### FRENCH PREMIER'S BROADCAST TO PEOPLE

**"IF WE HOLD ON FOR ONE MONTH—AND WE SHALL HOLD ON—THEN WE SHALL HAVE COVERED THREE-QUARTERS OF THE ROAD TO VICTORY"**

A note of confidence was sounded in the French Premier's broadcast address to the French people yesterday morning which was received in London as eagerly as in France, says British Wireless.

In the course of it, M. Paul Reynaud said, "I have just seen General Weygand who was home from the front. He told me he was confident nothing was lost if everybody does his duty."

"The civil population must not be terrorised by the mechanised onslaught of Germans. They must stay at home quietly and work."

"Weakness and disorder would seriously hamper the success of our arms. Orders to this effect have been given to the military authorities."

"I repeat that if we hold on for one month—and we shall hold on—then we shall have covered three-quarters of the road to victory."

### LIKE EVERY FISH STORY

THIS ONE EXPANDS WITH TELLING

"Merely a school of porpoises—nothing to be alarmed about," was the remark made by a hardy mariner who was one of the many people gathered on the waterfront yesterday afternoon, off the Hongkong Club.

Thinking that I would see some really big follow-up, I ambled over but owing to the large number of people that lined the Praya, it took me some time to see that the objects of so much curiosity were not the "Loch Ness Monsters" of 10 feet, as reported by an evening contemporary, but comparatively small ones, some five feet long. But of course, like every good fish story, this expands with the telling.

Summing up my best Chinese, I got into conversation with an old sea dog who appeared to be making quite an impression with a section of the onlookers.

"Alas," he said, "no blong good business. This fashion fishie, he bring too much bad luck. More better chop-chop to homeside chin-chin jossie."

I also learned that the Chinese regard porpoises as harbingers of ill-omen and when I reminded the sage who was holding forth that we had a visit from an exceptionally large school of porpoises in late 1918, his weather-beaten features wrinkled up as he smilingly replied, "My thinkie this time more bad luck for German!"—J.H.F.

CANBERRA, May 22 (Reuter)—Mr. R. G. Menzies, the Premier, announced in Parliament today that Australia was raising a third division of troops immediately for service abroad.

### 20 Heinkels Tackled By R.A.F. Pilot

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter)—The story of how a single R.A.F. fighter pilot tackled 20 Heinkel bombers single-handed last night was told in London today.

The bombers passed over Calais heading for England while the fighter was on patrol. He selected one which he pursued and fired all of the eight guns at 50 yards range. The Heinkel's under carriage fell off and the smoke poured from the engines.

The fighter tackled the second bomber, using up the remaining ammunition and causing smoke from the engines.

Satisfied that both were disabled, the fighter returned safely to the base after successfully evading an attack from a Messerschmidt.

### BRIDGES BOMBED

LONDON, May 22 (BWS)—The Air Ministry announced, "Dense traffic moving over the enemy's communication systems was again heavily attacked throughout last night by large bomber forces of the R.A.F. The objectives included railway junctions, marshalling yards and bridges over a wide area in Germany radiating eastward from Aachen."

"Similar targets in the immediate rear of the battle area were also heavily bombed, notably roads and bridges across the Meuse in the region of Namur and Dinant."

### NO CASUALTIES

The Air Ministry and Minister for Home Security announce, "Enemy aircraft jettisoned bombs in two districts in south-east England last night. Some bombs fell on land and others in the sea. Anti-aircraft guns were in action. There were no casualties and no damage is reported."

### "HOLD ON AND WIN"

WATCHWORD OF FRENCH PRESS

PARIS, May 22 (Reuter)—"Hold on and win" seems to be the watchword of the French press this morning.

M. Charles Morice, in Petit Parisien, attempts to describe the confused situation. The German advance, he hopes, has been carried out in such conditions that the weak points will soon be discovered.

Perinax, writing in L'Ordre, declares that the Franco-British organism will resist the test which the German Army is putting it through and that there will be a rapid change in this course of events, since behind the French and British, vast resources are mobilised against the invader.

## Creed Of Naziism Must Be Denounced As The Arch Enemy Of Mankind

The desire expressed by the King that Sunday, May 26, be observed as a day of national prayer has been warmly approved by the English Catholics, says British Wireless.

Cardinal Hinsley, Archbishop of Westminster, recalls in a letter to The Times, that, in this month of May, Catholics are urged by the Holy Father to pray for a just, honourable and lasting peace, and adds that Catholics will not fail to observe the directions of the Pope nor to fulfil the desires of the King.

He proceeds, "But I feel bound to urge something more. In the name of all we hold sacred, I appeal to Catholics to condemn by word and deed the dastardly invasion of Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg by merciless Nazi hordes."

"The crucial time has come. In the name of reason and of faith in the cause of humanity and of religion, the creed of Nazism must be denounced as the arch enemy of mankind."

INGLORIOUS PASSAGE  
"Tanks and bombs, fire and ruthless destruction mark the inglorious passage over the countries which the Nazis dominate and the same blessings await yet other regions which the Nazis may engulf in their declared lust for world domination."

"Awake, or be crushed, by the unleashed forces of evil."

### CHURCHILL THANKS SHANGHAI

Special to H. K. Daily Press, SHANGHAI, May 22 (Havas)—Reciprocating the wishes extended to him by local British societies upon his assumption of the Premiership, Mr. Winston Churchill wired to Shanghai the following message:

"Thank you for your kind message. Good wishes greatly appreciated—Winston Churchill."

### Decisive Battle To Be Fought

BERLIN, May 22 (Reuter)—General von Reichenau, Commander of the Sixth German Army, in an interview given to foreign press correspondents at his headquarters, stated that the decisive battle of the war has yet to be fought.

He added that so far preliminary encounters had been made. He said that the Allies had two army corps facing the Germans in the present salient.

### King Leopold At Le Havre

TOKYO, May 22 (Reuter)—The Belgian Ambassador, M. Forthomme, communicated to the Foreign Minister, Mr. Arita, at 5 p.m. today that King Leopold III has taken refuge at Le Havre to where the seat of the Belgian Government has been transferred.

### R.A.F. CASUALTIES TOTAL 216

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter)—Two hundred and sixteen names of members of the Royal Air Force appear on the Air Ministry casualty communique No. 31 of which 48 were killed, or believed dead; 135 missing and 33 wounded or injured.

## Success Has Heartening Effect In London

## IMPORTANT COUNTER-MOVE BEGUN UNDER WEYGAND

A French official communique reveals that Arras, into which the enemy succeeded on Tuesday in pushing his advance elements, is in Allied hands.

The communique, according to British Wireless, states, "Enemy pressure continues in the direction of the coast in the form of raids by small motorised detachments. Arras is now in our hands."

"In Lorraine, the enemy have bombarded three towns behind our front. We have retaliated by bombarding three towns behind the enemy front."

News of the French recapture of Arras after hard fighting had a heartening effect in London and considerably lifted the public's spirits, says Reuter.

It was interpreted in some quarters as an indication that the French, under the new and inspiring leadership of General Weygand, have begun an important counter-move.

While it would be wrong to take too optimistic a view of the success and how it was recorded experts consider it may be the first move towards checking the Germans desperate thrust for the coast through Abbeville.

Announcement of the recapture of Arras led to a slightly firmer trend on the Stock Exchange which earlier had opened unsettled and there was an appreciable recovery in leading gilt-edged stocks.

### DOCKS AT CALAIS BOMBED

### COMMUNIQUE BY HITLER'S H.Q.

BERLIN, May 22 (Reuter)—A communique dated from the Fuehrer's headquarters says, "The breaking through of the German troops to the Channel coast continued yesterday to the north-west of St. Pol and Montreuil-sur-Mer."

"The harbour and docks at Ostend, Calais, Boulogne and Dieppe, were successfully attacked again by the German Air Force."

"In Flanders, the enemy resisted toughly to cover their retreat on the Scheldt. An attack is stubbornly progressing near Valenciennes against French with."

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### Woolwich Arsenal Explosion

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter)—A slight explosion occurred about 1 a.m. G. M. T. in one section of Woolwich Arsenal. It is understood that one man was injured. The fire brigade quickly subdued the outbreak. The general output and work has not been seriously interfered with.

### FIGHTING IN REGION OF ESCAUT

### Line Of Somme Firmly Held

PARIS, May 22 (Reuter)—The situation, as it stood last night, was summed up, by a French military spokesman, as follows:

In northern Belgium, combats between the French, Belgian and British Allies and the Germans are continuing in the neighbourhood of Escaut. Near Cambrai, the battle went on ebbs, first one way, then the other, and it is noteworthy that the situation in Arras is again under control.

North of the Somme, the situation remains confused on account of the presence there of small light German detachments. The line of the Somme is firmly held by French troops. This applies also to the Aisne and the entire line from the Aisne to the region south-west of Sedan, and the Maginot Line along its entire length to the Swiss frontier.

All along the Maginot Line there is nothing to report.

### AT PICARDY

Interest is now focussed on the situation at Picardy, north of the Somme line. There has been little news of this sector today but

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## ITALY WILL NOT BE BYSTANDER: PRESENT EVENTS FOLLOWED IN ROME WITH GREAT VIGILANCE

### NAZIS NOT INTERESTED IN N.E.I.

TOKYO, May 22 (Reuter)—Germany's reply to the Japanese note regarding the Netherlands East Indies says that Germany is not interested in the problem of the N.E.I.

The reply was handed to the Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr. Arita, by the German Ambassador in a 40-minute interview this morning.

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter)—The Foreign Office has not yet received the Soviet reply regarding trade negotiations alleged details of which were given by Moscow, says Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent. Hence, the Foreign Office is unable yet to comment on the matter.

ROME, May 22 (Reuter)—"Tension subsists but no excessive alarmism can be justified," states the officially inspired news-sheet, *Informazioni del Giorno*.

"It would be an error to draw conclusions, from Count Ciano's speech in Milan, which did not arise from the speech."

"Italy's position as regards the present conflict remains as originally fixed."

"Italy sought to prevent the outbreak of war and then to localise it and has so far preserved a vast zone in Europe."

"That does not mean she can become a bystander in the present events which are being followed in Rome with vigilant attention, or cease to consider her rights as a sovereign State have been called into question by the naval blockade in the Mediterranean."

"She can but maintain her neutral aspirations but the method of making them prevail depends on the turn of events."

"It is, therefore, premature to make forecasts."

## Claim That German Air Supremacy Has Nullified British Sea Power Predominance Conclusively Disproved

LONDON, May 22 (BWS)—A summary of actual results of constant air bombing by the Germans of units of the British Fleet operating off Norway has conclusively disproved the claim, so desperately insisted upon by German propagandists during recent weeks, that aerial attack has a great superiority over naval defences and that German air supremacy has nullified the predominance of British sea power.

During the Norwegian campaign, apart from attacks on convoys or trawlers, H.M. ships either singly, or in company, were constantly subjected to bombing from the air. Certain ships were bombed continually from dawn to sunset.

In one particular instance, reports received indicate that 40 attacks were delivered on one ship and 156 bombs dropped. No hits were registered.

With regard to the attacks on convoys after evacuations from Aandalsnes and Namsos, both convoys were subjected to almost incessant aerial attacks for a whole day and no hits or casualties were sustained by the transports. High level, medium level and dive bombing attacks were made.

The result was infinitesimal compared both with the claims made by the German High Command and with what might reasonably have been expected. The losses suffered have already been announced.

INCESSANT ATTACKS  
Two destroyers, Afridi and Blison, were sunk while escorting a convoy during incessant attacks by enemy aircraft in an area containing a large concentration of shipping.

The Polish destroyer, Grom, was sunk when engaged in operations off the Norwegian coast. The

### FLEET AIR ARM

On the other hand, aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm shot down 20 enemy aircraft off Norway during the period April 3 to May 11 besides accounting for many others on the ground. They also wrought great damage to many oil tanks, hangars, transports, store ships and tankers.

A further 51 enemy aircraft were destroyed by gunfire of the Fleet.

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# MINDANAO START OFF WITH FINE WIN

## Baseball Season Given Start By American Consul

BY R.O.Y.

The local baseball season got away to an auspicious start last Saturday when Mr. Addison E. Southard, U. S. Consul General, braved a discouraging drizzle to pitch the first ball of the match in which the Hongkong Brewers and the U. S. S. Mindanao started the most exciting opening game seen for some years.

The attendance was rather disappointing, obviously, because of the threatening weather which, however, did not affect the enthusiasm of those present or the players. Few fans expected the game to go the way it did, especially as the Brewers, after losing the toss, got to work and ran up a commanding lead which they held right up to the final frame.

Far from being disheartened, though, the Mindanao gang showed their teeth and staged a desperate rally that pulled them up from 6-3 down to an odd run victory.

**EXPENSIVE ERRORS**  
According to the scorebook, the losers had the edge in both batting and fielding. Hits were 9-8 in their favour, while they committed only four bobbles to the winners' five.

That the Mindanao boys won can be attributed to two free passes and two expensive errors which were conceded by the H. B. aggregation in that crucial last inning rally.

Hero of the day was "Red" Keplinger who, besides hurling effectively, won his own ball game by batting in three of his team's tallies, two of which were the tying and winning markers.

**CHASE'S SURPRISE PACKET**  
Poochie Chase produced a surprise packet in "Fats" Belke who did a fine job of hindsnatching which will be missed when both he and Keplinger leave the colony during the course of the week. "Red" Todd and "Pig" Padgett both connected for doubles, the latter's effort caroming back to the field off the left fence to rob him of what should have been the only home-run of the game. Horseface Douglas gave an impressive showing at the initial sack, while Poochie Chase's pilfering, of two sacks was a highlight of the game which the official scorer considered worthy of nine exclamation marks!

**NOT SO EFFECTIVE**  
Jesse Arcull, hurling for the Brewers, appears to have lost much of the control, for which he was noted last season, and issued six free passes which were

# Water-Polo Encounter

## Y.M.C.A. DEFEAT 12TH R.A.: MAY AND BENN SHINE

Displaying better team work and ball control the European Y.M.C.A. easily defeated the 12th Battery, R.A., by four goals to two in a water-polo match in the former's pool last night.

Prominent for the winners were May and Benn who were in consistent form, whilst outstanding for the R.A. was Marsh who time and again broke up many dangerous attacks.

In the early exchanges R.A. were the more aggressive but once the "Y" settled down they dominated the game. May opened the scoring for the civilians at close range and shortly afterwards Newman further increased the lead with a similar shot. Before the interval May scored with a fast shot.

**NICE SHOT**  
On resumption of play the R.A. showed better team work but, despite many good movements by their forwards, they were unable to decrease the deficit. Newman increased the Y's lead when, on receipt of a pass from his back, he managed to beat the opposing goalie with a nice shot.

Undaunted, R.A. rallied to register two goals in succession—one by Faith and the other by Hall.

**EUROPEAN Y.M.C.A.:** H. Brokenshire; Berry and Hunt; Benn; Newman, May and Karpusheff.

**12th Battery R.A.:** Green; Marsh and Sheedy; Hall; Faith, McNulty and Glasby.

## AUSTRALIANS IN ACTION

Local swimming enthusiasts will have an opportunity of seeing the Australian Naval Reservists in action at the European Y.M.C.A. tonight at 9 o'clock when a strong representative side will be opposed to the "pick" of the European "Y."

A series of interesting events have been drawn up including a water-polo match and many keen tussles should result.

# Lawn Bowls Selections

The following are some of the lawn bowls selections for the week-end:

## FIRST DIVISION

**RECREIO "A":** L. F. Xavier, F. X. Soares, R. F. Luz, H. A. Alves (skip); L. J. Silva, C. M. Silva, J. V. Ribeiro, F. X. Soares, P. V. Ribeiro, C. G. Silva (skip).

**RECREIO "B":** C. C. Pereira, D. C. Alves, A. P. Guterres, B. Basto (skip); F. A. Machado, C. M. Basto, C. Roza-Pereira, J. J. Basto (skip); C. F. Vas, A. P. Pereira, C. Lopes, J. E. Noronha (skip).

**I.R.C.:** J. Hoosen, M. A. Wahab, A. M. Rumjahn, A. R. Minu (skip); D. M. Khan, S. Yusuf, A. O. Madar, M. R. Abbas (skip); A. K. Sufiad, A. Bakar, M. Y. Adal, A. K. Minu (skip).

**C.S.C.C.:** C. J. Walker, J. W. Dearkin, A. W. Grimmett, F. J. Jones (skip); M. E. Purvis, W. J. Darling, M. N. Rakusen, H. E. Strange (skip); J. Gallatly, J. Hollidge, L. A. Collier, J. F. McGowan (skip).

## SECOND DIVISION

**RECREIO:** M. Alston, A. F. Noronha, A. Rodrigues, O. P. Remedios (skip); P. M. N. Silva, J. A. Remedios, A. M. Xavier, P. Yvanovich (skip); F. A. Xavier, H. R. Pinna, E. M. Remedios, E. Souza (skip).

**H.K.O.C.:** R. R. Davies, J. L. Mouat, G. E. Costello, B. E. Maughan (skip); J. A. D. Morrison, E. Hospes, E. S. Abraham, A. W. Brown (skip); W. A. Cornell, J. Prentice, G. S. Archbutt, L. A. R. Duncan (skip).

**C.S.C.C.:** J. R. Carr, A. F. Shepherd, A. Steven, S. Eccleshall (skip); P. D. Crawley, H. Lord, H. F. Harper, C. Strange (skip); E. Kirmon, H. Parrott, R. R. Wood, A. B. Allan (skip).

**Reserves:** J. F. Hickman, J. C. Lucas and A. F. MacFayden.

## THIRD DIVISION

**I.R.C.:** U. A. Rumjahn, S. A. R. Bux, A. G. Sufiad, S. O. Bux (skip); A. K. Ismail, R. Nazarin, A. H. Madar, A. M. Wahab (skip); M. Hassan, K. M. Rumjahn, M. F. Madar, S. M. Rumjahn (skip).

**H.K.O.C.:** J. Owen Hughes, L. E. N. Ryan, B. J. Lacom, P. S. Cassidy (skip); P. D. Angus, H. A. Angus, E. S. Doughty, R. A. Edwards (skip); A. D. Humphreys, G. H. Bond, W. J. Hansen, A. McKellar (skip).

# TRAINING GALLOPS AT THE VALLEY

The following times were taken during the training gallops at the Race Course yesterday:

	Dis- tance	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Last Qr.
Courting Eve	1	31	1.00	1.28		25
Discovery Bay	1	35	1.07.1	1.38.1		29
Viceroy	1	38	1.14	1.42.4		28.4
Lancashire Chips	1	31.4	1.00.2	1.28.3		28.1
Hughes	1	37.2	1.15.3	1.50	2.22	32
Bredon	1	29.3	1.01	1.28.3		27.3
Smashing Through	1	39	1.13.3	1.43.3		30
Jane Doe & Ayon	1	35	1.10	1.42	2.12.1	30.1
Popular Star	1	38	1.15	1.48		33
Connleber	1	30.1	59.2	1.27		27.3
Derby Day	1	33	1.02.2	1.30.3		28.1
Conquering Time	1	38.2	1.12.1	1.43.2	2.13.1	29.4
Spring Shine	1	38	1.15.3	1.51.1	2.23.4	31.3
Blue Field	1	34	1.07	1.37.2		30.2
Surprise Again	1	38.1	1.09.3	1.43		33.2
Sylvandale	1	41.1	1.21.1	1.54		32.4
Talkative	1	37	1.11.3	1.44.2		32.4
Viken Tor	1	34.2	1.06.3	1.33.1		28.3
Victoria	1	34.3	1.09.3	1.44.2		34.4
Peaceful View	1	29.3	1.00.1	1.32.1		32
Laughing Girl	1	35.1	1.10	1.44.2	2.17	32.3
Golden Cow	1	40.1	1.17.3	1.52.2	2.24.2	32
Tampa Bay	1	38	1.14.3	1.49	2.22.3	33.3
Eye of Reason & Many Thanks	1	33.2	1.06.3	1.38.1	2.09	30.4
Sunlight View	1	40.2	1.15.1	1.45		29.4
Annabella	1	35.1	1.05	1.32.2		27.2
Scenic View	1	38.2	1.17	1.52.2	2.25.2	33
Gatterick Bridge & Sea Urchin	1	27.1	57.1	1.27.4		30.3
Strathcarrick	1	42	1.11	1.41.3	2.10	28.2
Melody Star	1	33	1.02.3	1.31.3	2.01	29.2
March Brown	1	39	1.13.4	1.52.4		37
Jack O'Lantern & Tim	1	39	1.18	1.54.1	2.26	31.4
Dow Jones	1	39	1.19	1.58.4	2.34.2	35.3
Nancy Lee	1	38	1.10.4	1.42	2.12	30
Brown Derby	1	36.1	1.07.3	1.36		28.2
Night View	1	34.3	1.07.4	1.40		32.1
Crimell	1	40	1.15	1.46.2	2.13.2	27
Pumelo	1	35	1.06	1.34		28
Violet Queen	1	37.2	1.08	1.34.2		29.2
Taxing Master	1	35.3	1.10	1.40.4		30.4
Rose Emily	1	38.1	1.13.3	1.45.3	2.15.2	29.4
Schmetterling	1	32	1.05	1.36.1	2.05.4	29.3
Rose Flana & Ascot Vale	1	35	1.10.4	1.44.3	2.17	32.2
Salvage Master	1	40	1.18.2	1.48.4	2.19	30.1
Sea Jay & Vanity Fair	1	30.1	59	1.27		28
Pecadilly Jim	1	33.2	1.05.4	1.36	2.03.4	27.4
Gold Coin	1	38.4	1.10.4	1.43.3		32.4
Maple Star	1	36.2	1.03.2	1.39.4	2.09	29.1

# TENNIS LEAGUE "C" DIVISION

## KOWLOON TONG BEAT C.B.A.

In a "C" Division Tennis League match played at King's Park yesterday, Kowloon Tong Garden City Association beat Central British Association by six sets to three. G. H. Fowler and B. I. Bickford (C.B.A.) beat Edward Lee and L. S. Chan 7-5; beat K. M. Lee and H. F. Kwok 6-3; beat D. Chan and W. Fong 6-0.

N. B. M. Whitley and S. A. Fowler (C.B.A.) lost to Lee and Chan 1-6; lost to Lee and Kwok 2-6; lost to Chan and Fong 1-6.

D. T. Smith and V. C. Bond (C.B.A.) lost to Lee and Chan 4-6; lost to Lee and Kwok 1-6; lost to Chan and Fong 2-6.

**RECREIO "B" WIN**  
On the home courts, Club de Recreio "B" beat the Jewish Recreation Club by nine sets to nil. The J.R.C. conceded three walk-overs.

J. Fonseca and R. M. Soares (Recreio "B") beat Poliak and Talan 6-3; beat Joseph and Citrin 6-1.

L. G. Gosano and P. M. Rosario (Recreio "B") beat Poliak and Talan 6-3; beat Joseph and Citrin 6-2.

A. M. Alves and J. A. Soares (Recreio "B") beat Poliak and Talan 6-2; beat Joseph and Citrin 6-0.

## U.S. Baseball Results

**NEW YORK, May 22 (Reuter)**—Boston Red Sox consolidated their position at the head of the American Baseball League table yesterday with a victory over the Detroit Tigers by 11-8.

## AMERICAN LEAGUE

	R	H	E
Boston	11	11	0
Detroit	8	16	1
New York	10	12	1
Cleveland	2	3	2
Washington	8	11	2
Chicago	9	15	1

The Philadelphia-St. Louis match was postponed on account of rain.

## NATIONAL LEAGUE

	3	12	0
Chicago	3	12	0
Brooklyn	4	6	1

The St. Louis-New York, Cincinnati-Boston, and Pittsburgh-Philadelphia games were postponed on account of the weather.

## HOME FOOTBALL

**LONDON, May 22 (Reuter)**—Burnley beat Barrow 2-0 in the North-Western Section of the English Regional football leagues yesterday.



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# SPORTING FIXTURES TODAY

**SWIMMING.** — European "Y" Swimming and Water - Polo Practice, 5.30 p.m.-7.30 p.m.; Swimming Gala, European "Y" v. Australian Naval Reservists, "Y" Pool 9 p.m.

**TABLE TENNIS.** — St. Andrew's Club Table Tennis Match at Home v. the Y.M.C.A., 8 p.m.

**TENNIS LEAGUE.** — D. Division. Central British v. Chinese R.C. A.; Craggower v. South China; Chinese R.C. v. Kowloon Indians; Indian R.C. v. Kowloon C.O.



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## THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

**THE SIXTH EXTRA RACE MEETING** will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 25th May, 1940, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The first Bet will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

## MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

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By Order,

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Hong Kong, 20th May, 1940.



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FINAL SHOWINGS TODAY



TOMORROW



Even in December, stars can spend-between-picture periods basking in the sun. Eleven-year-old Gloria Jean, the singing "discovery" of Universal's "The Under-Pup," is finding that California in December is a far cry from the wintry weather she had known in her home town, Scranton, Pa. As a full-fledged movie actress, Gloria spends her mornings at the studio schoolhouse and her afternoons at play, when she isn't before the cameras.

The film is showing at the King's Theatre.

## Radio Programmes

### HONGKONG

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FELE MORALES (SOPRANO)  
FROM THE STUDIO

Children's Hour  
12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.  
12.30 The Comedy Harmonists.  
Humoresque (Dvorak); Liebesleid (Kreiser); Solitude (De Long Mills and Ellington)—with Piano accompaniment.  
12.40 Tangos and Waltzes.  
Waltzes—Over the Waves (Rosa); Amorette (Gungl)—Orchestra.  
Mascotte: Tango—Tango Bolero (Losa); Tango (Albeniz)—Barnabas Von Geczy and His Orchestra.  
Waltzes—Ball Sirens (from "Merry Widow"—Lehar); Lysistrata (Paul Lincke)—Orchestra Mascotte.

1.00 Local Time Signal. Weather Report.

1.03 Sir Harry Lauder in a Scottish Programme.

Oh, How I Weary, Dearie, For You (Lauder)—Sir Harry Lauder with Orchestra.  
Reel (Lauder)—Sir Harry Lauder with Orchestra.  
Reel—High Road to Linton: Fight about the firsides; Brown's Reel—Scottish Country Dance Orchestra cond. by J. Michael Black.  
That's the Reason Noo I Wear A Kilt (Lauder)—Sir Harry Lauder with Orchestra.  
There's Nae Luck About The House (arr. Macpherson and Pentland)—Wce Willie Winkle (Robertson)—Boyd (Steven, Soprano) with Piano accomp. Mr. John Mackay (Lauder)—Sir Harry Lauder with Orchestra.  
Dumbarton's Drums (Bantock)—The Laird O' Cockburn (Robertson)—Glasgow Orpheus Choir cond. by Hugh S. Robertson. Unaccompanied.

1.20 Reuter and Rusby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Film Selections.

Parade for Two—Selection (Spillars)—London Films Studio Orchestra with Vocal Trio and Chorus.  
"Limelight"—Selection—Louis Levy & His Gaumont British Symphony with Vocal Refrain.  
"Heart's Desire"—Selection—Cine Studio Orchestra.  
"This'll Make You Whistle"—Selection—Louis Levy & His Gaumont British Symphony with Vocal Refrain.

2.15 Close down.

2.45 Studio—Children's Hour.

2.45 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

2.47 Sea Songs and Shanties by The Royal Naval Singers.

Introducing: Jolly Roger; Sailors Chorus; Billy Boy; Johnny Come Down to Ellio; I'll Go No More A-Roving; Rio Grande.

2.55 Dance Music.

Quickstep—Somebody Stole My Gal; Fox-Trot—Ain't She Sweet!—Brian Lawrence and His Quartet.  
Tangos—Hours and Days; On Wings of Dreams—Eugen Wolff and His Orchestra.  
Quickstep—I've Got A Foc-ketful of Dreams (film, "Sing you Sinners"); Fox-Trot—Two Sleepy People (film, "Thanks for the Memory"); M. Pierre and His Strict Dance Tempo Orchestra.  
Waltzes—Mamma's Lullaby; I'm Forever Blowing Bubbles—The Green Brothers' Marimba Band.  
Fox-Trot—Ten Little Miles From Town—The Organ, The Dance Band and Me.  
Slow Fox-Trot—They Say—Carroll Gibbons and the Savoy Hotel Orpheans.  
Fox-Trot—I Feel Like A Feather in the Breeze (film, "Charm School")—Roy Fox and His Orchestra.

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Marek Weber and His Orchestra.

Saschinka (Polpourri of Russian Gypsy Songs and Dances—Schlammann).  
The Skaters—Waltz (Gungl); The Clock and The Dresden China Figures (Ketelbey). Forest Idyll

## COMING EVENTS

MAY

23—Tides: High 9.58 a.m.; Low 3.21 a.m. and 5.02 p.m.  
Sunrise: 5.39 a.m.; Sunset: 6.59 p.m.  
Diocesan Old Boys' Assn. Annual Meeting, 5.30 p.m.  
Claims against estate of Dame Mary Ann Ackroyd due.  
Colony Chess Championship.  
T.M.C.A. Games Morning, 10 a.m.  
Compulsory Service Tribunal, 4.15 p.m.  
Cheero Club Bridge and Mahjong.  
Ladies' Bible Study, 216, Nathan Road, 10.30 a.m.  
St. Andrew's Women's Fellowship, 2.30 p.m.  
H.K. Y's Men's Club Tiffin Mtg., St. Francis Hotel, 1 p.m.  
Theosophical Society Mtg., 6 p.m.—Speaker—Mr. A. Lebedeff "Where Life Begins."  
Northumberland and Durham Society Committee Mtg., H.K. Hotel, 6.15 p.m.  
Cathedral Women's Fellowship Working Party, Cathedral Hall, 3.30 p.m.  
Union Church Working Party, 2.30 p.m.  
St. Andrew's Working Party, 3 p.m.  
24—Tides: High 12 midnight and 10.31 a.m. Low 3.55 a.m. and 5.45 p.m.  
Sunrise: 5.38 a.m.; Sunset: 7 p.m.  
EMPIRE DAY—Public Holiday.  
K.C.C. present "Orders Are Orders" 9.15 p.m.  
Y.M.C.A. Business Girls' Swimming 5.30 p.m.; Mixed Swimming 6.30 p.m.; Badminton 6 p.m.  
Cheero Club: Darts, Table-Tennis & Billiards.  
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12.30 p.m.  
Service for young people, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 8 a.m.  
Helena May Christian Fellowship, 10.30 a.m.  
25—Tides: High 12.50 a.m. and 11.08 a.m. Low 4.29 a.m. and 6.30 p.m.  
Sunrise: 5.38 a.m.; Sunset: 7 p.m.  
T.M.C.A. Swimming Gala, 9 p.m.  
K.C.C. to present "Orders Are Orders" 9.15 p.m.  
H.K. Jockey Club's Sixth Extra Race Meeting, 2 p.m.  
Exhibition of Paintings at Cathedral Hall, 10 a.m.—7 p.m.  
H.K. Police Res. Chinese Company dinner dance, Pen. Hotel, 8 p.m.  
26—Wah Yan Past Students' Assn. Sports Meeting.  
27—China Emporium, Ltd. Annual Meeting and third drawing for debentures, 4 p.m.  
Exhibition of Paintings at Cathedral Hall, 10 a.m.—7 p.m.  
28—Sino-American Inst. of Cultural Relations Annual Meeting. Chinese Merchants' Club, 5.30 p.m.  
Wm. Powell Ltd. Annual Meeting, 6, Des Voeux Rd., 12.15 p.m.  
Exhibition of Paintings at Cathedral Hall, 40 a.m.—7 p.m.  
29—Choral Group to present "Cavalleria Rusticana" at King's Theatre.  
H.K. Auxiliary of the British and Foreign Bible Society, Annual Meeting, Cathedral Hall, 8.15 p.m.  
30—Choral Group to present "Cavalleria Rusticana" at King's Theatre.  
Indo-China S.N. Co. Ltd. Annual Meeting, 12 noon.  
H.K. Y's Men's General Meeting of H.K. Jockey Club, 5.30 p.m.

"Cards on the Table"—On Tuesdays 9.30 a.m.; reproductions on Wednesdays at 9 a.m. and 2.45 p.m.  
"In England Now"—On Tuesdays and Fridays at 11 p.m.; reproductions on the same days at 6.45 p.m. and on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 4.15 p.m. and 8 p.m.  
"Matters of Moment"—On Wednesdays at 11 p.m.; reproductions on the same day at 6.45 p.m. and on Thursdays at 12.30 a.m. and 4.45 a.m.  
"Background to the News"—On Thursdays at 11 p.m.; reproductions on Fridays at 9 a.m. and 2.45 p.m.  
"World Affairs"—On Fridays at 9.30 p.m.; reproductions on the same day at 2.45 a.m. and on Saturdays at 12.30 p.m.  
"London Log"—On Saturdays at 3.30 p.m.; reproductions on the same day at 11 p.m. and 6.45 a.m. and on Sundays at 12.30 p.m.  
"Five La France"—On Thursdays at 9.30 p.m.; reproductions on the same day at 2.45 a.m. and on Mondays at 11.45 a.m. and on Tuesdays at 2.45 p.m.  
"Political India"—On Wednesdays at 7.30 p.m.; reproductions on Thursdays at 2 p.m. and on Saturdays at 2.45 p.m.  
"From the Western Front"—On Sundays at 9.15 a.m., 3.45 p.m. and 1.45 a.m.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES  
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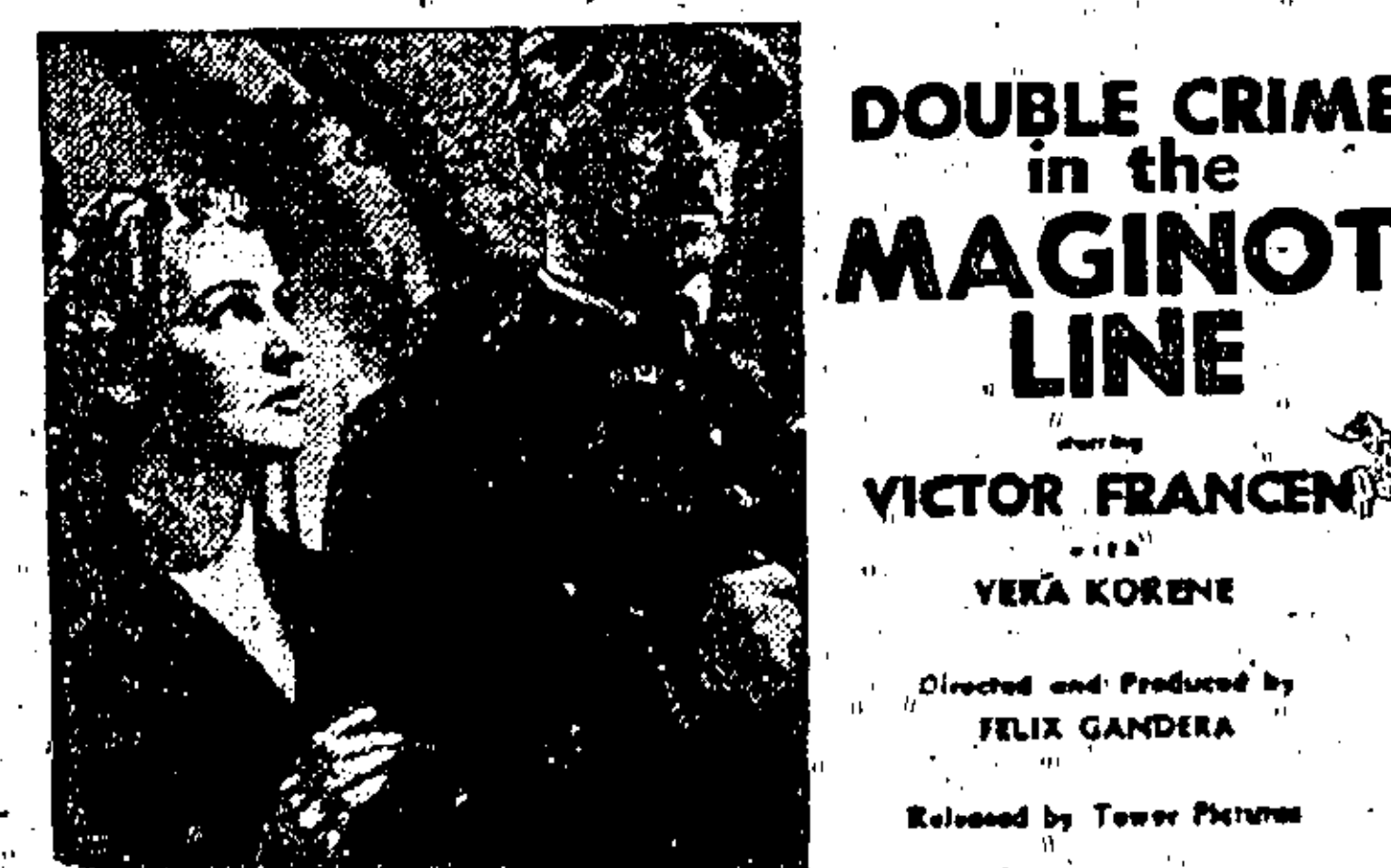
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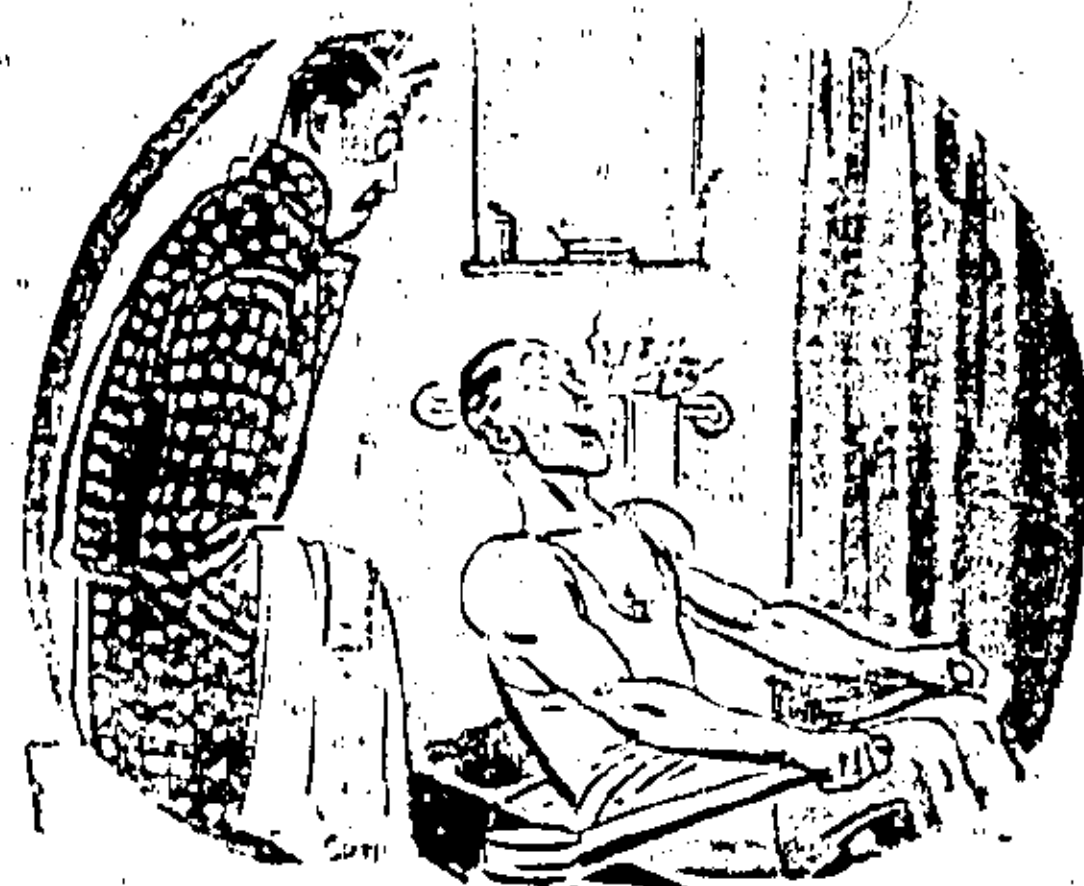


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"You wouldn't lead me up the garden, Timothy?"

"Peter, you wrong me. I've seen the light and I'm passing on the tip."

"Then, if you will kindly step ashore, we will seek out a vendor of Rose's. It's time I fell into good habits."

## Mascagni Opera To Be Presented Next Week

### Several New Singers In "Cavalleria Rusticana"

SEVERAL NEW SINGERS WILL BE INTRODUCED to the music-loving public of the Colony next week when the Choral Group presents "Cavalleria Rusticana," the opera by Pietro Mascagni, at the King's Theatre.

MISS CHAN MEI-LAN, who sings the principal part of Santuzza in the work, is a dramatic soprano of rare quality who has already made a name for herself through recordings of Chinese songs. She took a minor part in the Perosi oratorio, "The Resurrection of Christ," which the Choral Group successfully performed in February.

Miss Carmen Silva and Mrs. Gertrude Goddard, who are singing the parts of Lola and Mother Lucia respectively, also sang in the oratorio, but are making their bow for the first time as principals in the opera.

The leading masculine roles will be taken by Mr. Gaston D'Aquino, as Turiddu, and Mr. Alec Greaves, as Alfio. The former, as the Narrator, and the latter, as the Saviour, gave memorable performances in "The Resurrection."

Mr. D'Aquino is well known as one of the mainstays of musical life in the Colony.

Mr. Greaves, who formerly took in many concerts and broadcasts, parts made his reappearance in public this year after a considerable absence from singing.

The chorus comprises 40 voices, while the orchestra is composed of more than 30 instruments.

The opera is produced and conducted by Prof. Elisio Gualdi. Mr. Carlo Mose is responsible for the settings and Miss Carmen Silva for the costumes.

### BALLET SUITE

The programme will be further enriched by a Ballet Suite arranged by George Gounod, with music by Penchelli and Gliere. The Suite is in four parts, and several of Mr. Gounod's best pupils are taking part, including the Misses Peggy Scotcher, Lara, Tzar, Ann Mansfield, Hermione To, Dorothy Craig, Zina Mansell, Betty Lee and Clement.

In addition, the orchestra will render the overture from "Nabucco," by Giuseppe Verdi.

Two performances, under the distinguished patronage of Sir Geoffrey and Lady Northcote and His Excellency the Governor and Mrs. N. L. Smith, will be given, namely, on Wednesday and Thursday, May 29 and 30, at 9.30 p.m.

Booking is now open at the theatre. Tickets are priced at \$10, \$5, \$3, and \$2, and the net proceeds are in aid of the following charities: the Hongkong Food Kitchen, the Foreign Auxiliary of the Chinese Red Cross, the Boys' and Girls' Clubs, the Agricultural School for Refugee Students, the Chungshan Relief Fund and the New St. Stephen's Church Fund.

## ANOTHER SHOCK FOR AMERICA

### SELL THE ALLIES THE ARMY, NAVY AND AIR FORCE

WASHINGTON, May 22 (Reuter).—The German claim to have reached the English Channel came as yet another of the series of shocks which startled the American public in the last fortnight, and it coincides with considerable heart-searching in the press.

Republicans who based their isolation policy on the invincibility of the Allies are assailed for "bully-ragging" the President in the past months when they called him an "alarmist" every time he attempted to rouse public opinion to the growing dangers in Europe.

Colonel Lindbergh also comes in for considerable criticism and he is branded as pro-German because of his characterisation of the Government's defence measures as "hysterical chatter of the calamity of invasion."

Meanwhile, Congress is feverishly pushing the defence legislation through all its stages. Wild suggestions are being thrown out, including the selling of the entire United States Navy, Army and Air Force to the Allies in an effort to halt the "forces of barbarism," and the acquisition of the British West Indies as defence bases.

## WOMEN LEAVE GIBRALTAR

GIBRALTAR, May 22 (Reuter).—Women and children are being evacuated from Gibraltar.

The first batches left yesterday for French Morocco.

It is officially announced, that the Governor has received instructions from the War Cabinet to the effect that owing to the international situation, the evacuation of women and children from Gibraltar would be compulsory, notwithstanding the Governor's discretion.

A separate announcement states that there is no need for anxiety regarding the intentions of Spain, which has reiterated her strict neutrality.

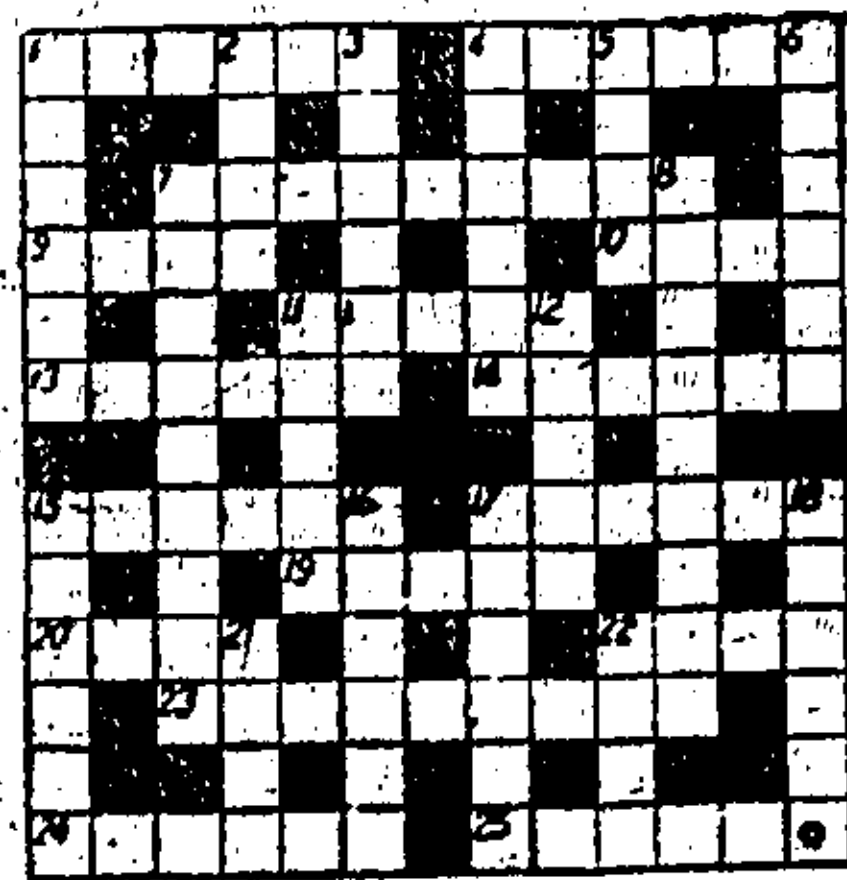
## PREMIER AT PALACE

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter).—The Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill, was received in audience by the King at Buckingham Palace last night. The King also received General Ironside in audience at Buckingham Palace.

## CROSSWORD NO. 613

- ACROSS
- Part of Ham
  - Chessman
  - Presage
  - Lump of earth
  - Desire
  - 32 here
  - It amuses baby
  - Emphatically, yes!
  - Its sweet
  - One of the
  - 24 across
  - Shape
  - Bird
  - Weapons
  - Turn out
  - Musical plays
  - For

- DOWN
- Tradesman
  - State of
  - mind
  - House
  - wife's tool
  - Wraith
  - Killed
  - Book
  - O.T.
  - Engine
  - platform
  - Bad dream
  - Demand
  - Dish
  - Arctic dweller
  - The traces—men's—?
  - Sentence
  - Snuggle
  - Always
  - Scrap



SOLUTION TOMORROW

## Parachutists Landed In Great Numbers

PARIS, May 22 (Reuter).—Parachute troops, armed with incendiary equipment and explosives, appear to have taken a leading part in a strong German attack launched north of the Semme late yesterday afternoon and during the night, according to reports received here.

They made immediately for road junctions, stations and bridges as well as for public buildings.

It is pointed out that such troops, dropped in large numbers as was the case on Monday night, may create a serious situation. However they cannot carry out thorough occupation without the help of considerable ground forces, especially infantry.

Monday night's attack seems to have been aimed rather at weakening the Allied resistance than in obtaining an immediately decisive result.

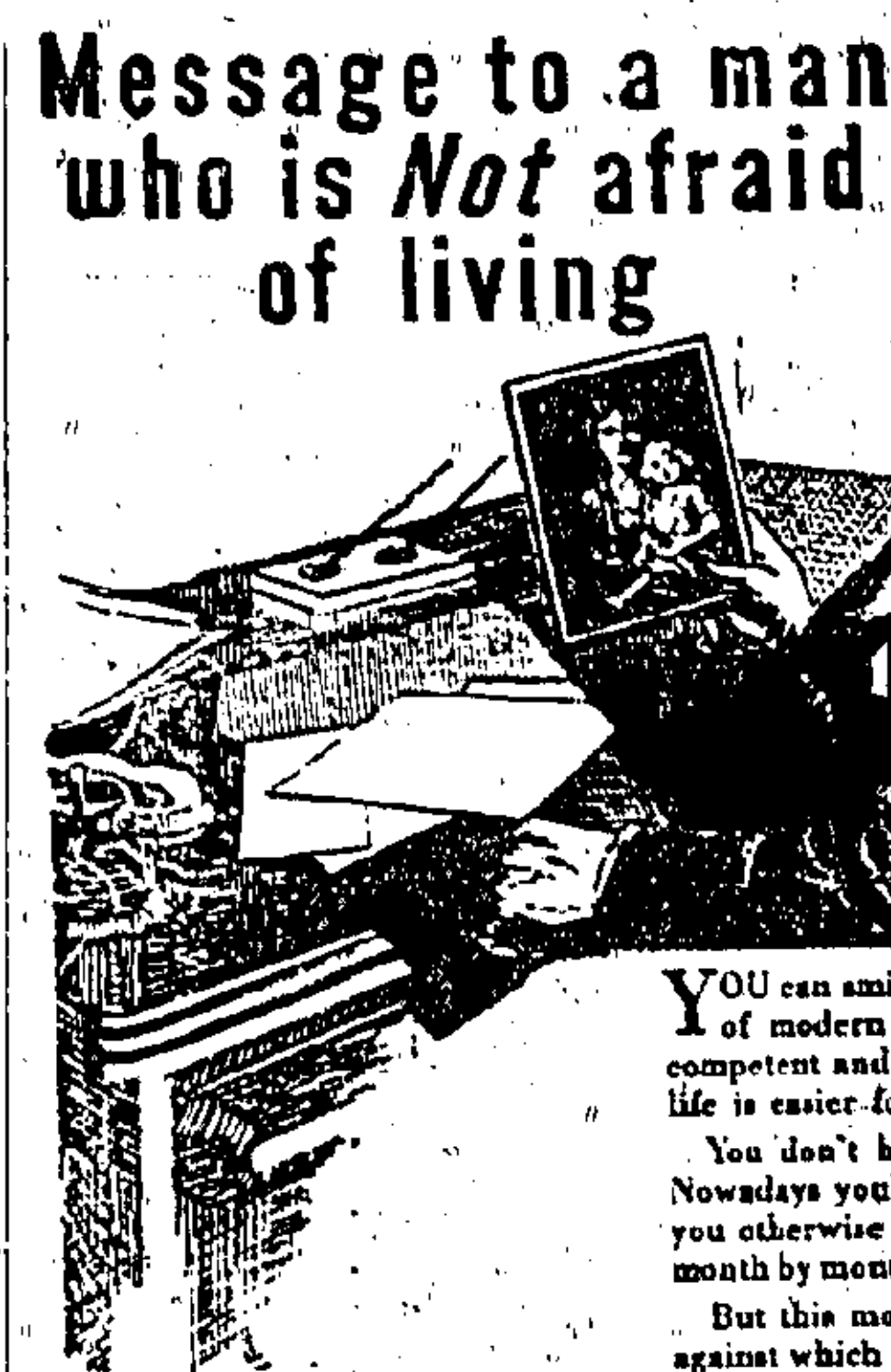
The ground part of the attack was led by motor cyclists and light armoured units boldly launched westward.

## DUKE IN AIR RAID

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter).—It is learned that the Duke of Gloucester was for three successive nights in areas which were heavily bombed and he is suffering from scratches by bomb splinters and both his hands are badly bruised.

The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester visited Mansion House Tuesday to hear the progress of the Red Fund and stayed to tea with the Lord Mayor.

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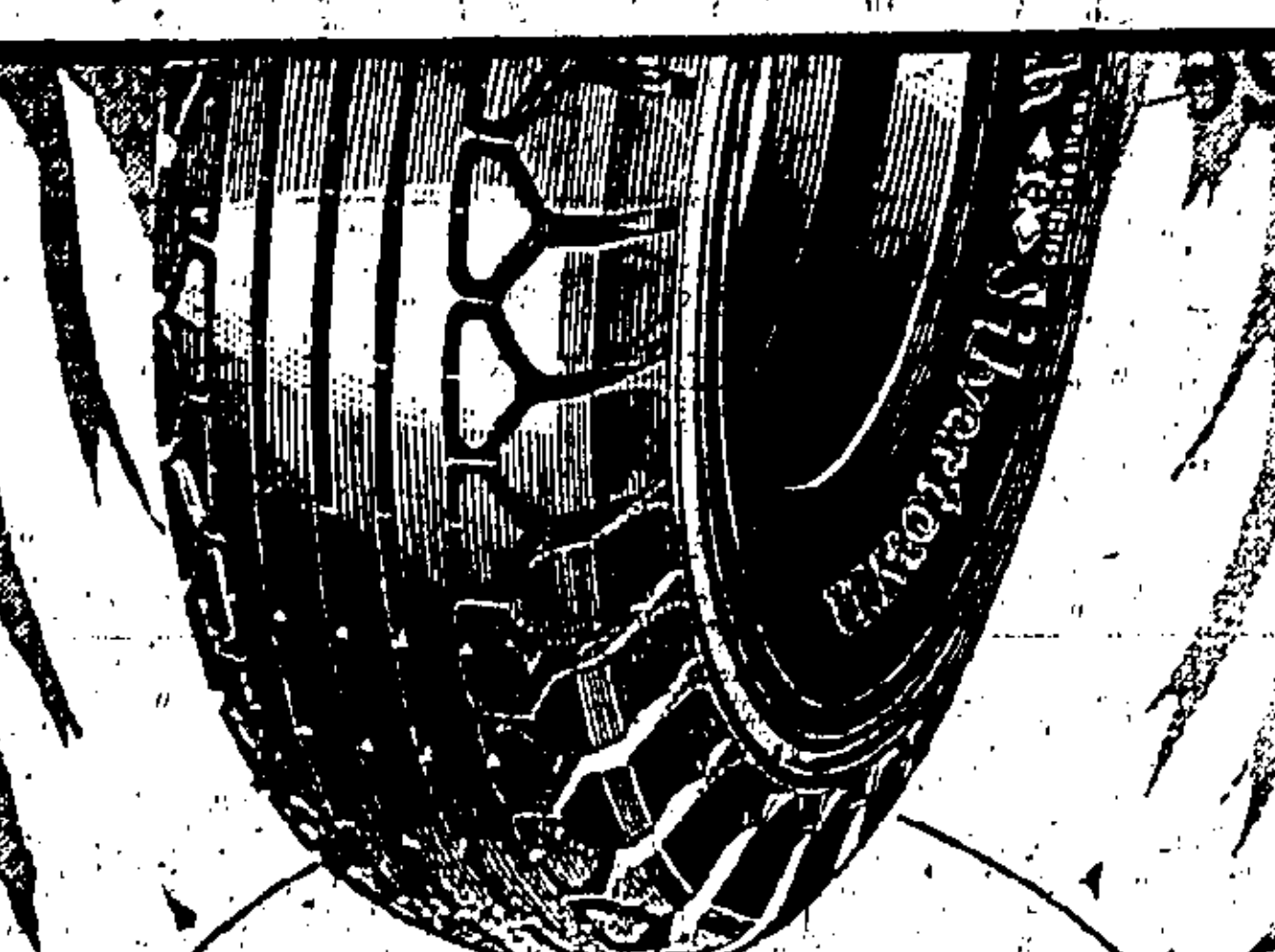
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MEMBERS OF THE BRITISH RED CROSS UNIT TO CHINA were entertained to tea by the Chinese members of the Council at the Chinese Merchants' Club yesterday afternoon.

Owing to illness, the Hon. Sir Robert Kotewall, one of the hosts, was unable to be present. The guests were received by the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, the Hon. Dr. Li Shu-fan and the Hon. Mr. W. N. Thomas Tam.

Among those present were Mr. O. K. Yui, famous "war" Mayor of Greater Shanghai who opposed the Japanese demands in 1937, Mr. Wen Yuan-ning, editor of Tien Hsia Monthly, Mr. Ho Kom-tong, Dr. Arthur W. Woo, Messrs. Li Sing-kul, J. M. Wong, Ngan Shing-kwan, Fung Kong-un, B. Wong Tape, Li Yau-tsun, Li Po-kwai, Li Lan-chuen, Tang Shiu-kin, Wong Ping-shun, Ng Wah, Lam Ming-fan, Li Jowson, M. H. Lo, and Li Yu-chung.

HON. MR. M. K. LO

Welcoming Mr. Evert Barger and his associates, the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo said:—

Some time ago a fund was raised in England for the purpose of sending out a British Red Cross Unit to work for China, in order to mark the deep sympathy of the British for war-torn China in her desperate struggle. Mr. Barger and his associates are members of that Unit, and are on their way to China under the auspices of the Committee of that fund.

We extend to Mr. Barger and his associates a very warm welcome, and we thank all our other guests for their kind attendance, thereby doing greater honour to our distinguished guests.

We regret that the pressure of their engagements during their short stay in the Colony has rendered it impossible for us to organize a more fitting reception in honour of Mr. Barger and his associates. I am sure, however, that they will not measure our grateful appreciation by the humble nature of this reception, nor by my own inadequacy of expression.

PROFOUNDLY GRATEFUL

After all, they know that gratitude is one of the national characteristics of the Chinese, and so I feel they will understand, without any lengthy remarks from me, how profoundly grateful we are to them for coming out to help China, in spite of the grave times through which their own country is passing.

I hope and believe that when they come into direct contact with what actually goes on in China they will have the satisfaction of finding that China's cause, and China's needs, are worthy of their great humanitarian work, and of the splendid gesture of a great Western Democracy, itself in the throes of a life and death struggle, harassed but unconquerable, to a great Eastern Democracy, similarly circumstanced, similarly harassed and similarly unconquerable.

On behalf of my colleagues, and in the name of the Chinese Community, I say to them, with fervent heart, "God speed, and thank you."

GREAT HONOUR

In reply, Mr. Barger said it was a great honour for his companions and himself to be received so kindly by such a distinguished gathering of Chinese.

He referred to the appeal for support for the British War Organisation Fund which General Wu Te-chen had made, and said that it was more than a gesture. It represented something which bound the English and Chinese people more than their coming to China could do.

A deep feeling for China in her great suffering, continued Mr. Barger, had existed in England for the past three years, and there was tremendous feeling of sympathy for China because of England's own troubles at this time. It was as representatives of that feeling that the Unit had come to China.

There was little, perhaps, that they could do to help. However, they were grateful for the opportunity for service to the Chinese people and for studying one of the greatest civilisations of the world.

WARM WELCOME

Mr. O. K. Yui said that the news of the Unit's arrival had spread to many parts of China, and the people had been profoundly touched. The Chinese welcomed them warmly, and he wished Mr. Barger and his companions every success.

The situation in the interior, said Mr. Yui, was improving day by day, but there was a great deal of suffering to relieve which he felt sure the Unit could do a lot.

Mr. Yui also said that members of the Unit would find in the interior a spirit of resistance that

was very strong, such as there was in England now.

FROM CAMBRIDGE

Mr. Wen Yuan-ning, as a Cambridge man, said he was very proud that there were at least two members of the Unit that were from Cambridge University. He thanked them on behalf of the universities of China, and hoped that it would be possible in the near future to send a similar mission to Europe from China.

## STUDENTS' RELIEF ASSOCIATION PARTY

Members of the Unit were the guests of honour at a tea party given by the Hongkong Students' Relief Association at St. Francis Hotel yesterday.

Mr. Chung Hang-shung, undergraduate of the Hongkong University, was in the chair, presented an pennant to Mr. Evert Barger, leader of the Unit.

Mr. Chung said that the sympathetic act of the visitors, who had abandoned their comforts at home to help China and her people, served as a great encouragement.

Both Mr. Barger and Mr. W. Jenkins suitably replied and said they were deeply touched by the kind reception extended to them by the Hongkong students, particularly by the Hongkong University undergraduates with whom they had a common bond of friendship.

Among others who spoke was Dr. Lin Wo-chiang, who eulogised the work of the Unit.

## CANTON STUDENTS

Mr. Evert Barger, Mr. P. Wright and Mr. W. Jenkins, of the British Relief Unit, who are shortly leaving for the interior to offer their practical services to China, were the guests of honour at an informal luncheon party given by students of the Canton University at the Ying King Restaurant yesterday. Mr. C. M. MacDonald, correspondent of the London Times, who arrived here only a few days ago from Chungking, was also invited to the function.

## JAPANESE SENT TO PRISON FOR WOUNDING WIFE

Ohta Taunosuke, owner of the Nagasaki Joe beer hall in Wan-chai, was at the Criminal Sessions yesterday sentenced to nine months' hard labour after he had pleaded guilty to a charge of maliciously wounding his wife, Mitsuko Ohta, on March 2.

The alternative charge of wounding, with intent, was withdrawn.

Mr. D. J. N. Anderson, who represented the accused, said that there was no doubt from the lower court evidence that defendant was very drunk at the time.

HERE 23 YEARS

Defendant had been in the Colony for 23 years and was a respected member of the Japanese community. His married life had been normal and his wife was prepared to carry on with him.

The Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, said the offence was too serious for him to consider fining or binding over defendant. His Lordship said he was, however, impressed by the fact that defendant's wife was willing to forgive him and take him back.

## AIRPORT NEWS

### CLIPPER DELAYED AGAIN

Pan American Airways Honolulu Clipper, which was expected to arrive yesterday, was delayed a further 24 hours and is now expected at Kai Tak this afternoon.

DELIA LEAVES

Imperial Airways Delia (Capt. A. B. Dykes and P/O Harvey) left Hongkong yesterday morning taking 230 kilos of mail and three



A few members of the cast in "The Romance of the Mighty Amazon" to be given at the Tai Ping Theatre on June 1 and 2, commencing at 8 p.m., on each evening, under the auspices of the Hongkong Chinese Women's Club in aid of war relief.

## CHINESE SOCIETY WEDDING

### GLOUCESTER HOTEL RECEPTION

A very pretty Chinese society wedding took place in Hongkong yesterday afternoon when Mr. Lee Keng-in, Secretary of the Bank of East Asia, and the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Tse Ching-ung, of H.K., was married to Miss Li Wai-ki, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Li Shiu-pang, of Seymour Terrace Hongkong, and a niece of Mr. Li Tse-fong, manager of the Bank of East Asia.

The legal ceremony was conducted at the Registry, where Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith officiated. This was followed by a largely attended reception at the Gloucester Hotel, where Hon. Sir Shouson Chow proposed the toast to the newly-weds, to which the bridegroom replied.

The bride was attended by her cousins, Misses Lee Wang-man, Lee Way-han and Lee Way-kin as bridesmaids. Miss Salima Mok was flowergirl and Master Foon Hip-lung performed the duties of page-boy. The bridegroom had Mr. Lee Foon-sin as best man.

THE DRESSES

The bride made a charming picture in a beautiful wedding creation of silver lace over ivory satin slip, modelled on the princess line. The frock was trimmed with silver cord and white net round the neck and the long tight sleeves. She wore an Elizabethan style veil and carried a spray bouquet of lily of the valley and carnations.

The bridesmaids wore pretty frocks of blue and pink taffeta also modelled on princess lines, with yokes of silk net and a panel front relieved with eau de nil and blue velvet ribbon. They carried heart-shaped posies of artificial roses.

The flower girl was daintily attired in rose organdie trimmed with velvet ribbon and carried a posie of red roses, while the page-boy looked extremely smart in a black satin suit faced with white satin.

AT THE REGISTRY

Miss Yu Wai-ying, daughter of the late Mr. Yu Ku-un and sister of Mr. Yu Tak-cheuk, compradore of the National City Bank of New York, was married yesterday at the Registry to Mr. Leung Cheuk-yau, merchant, of No. 7 Kotewall Road.

Other Registry weddings yesterday were between—

Mr. See-to Fat, student, of No. 3 Soy Street, and Miss Fung Kwok-yu, of No. 10 Luen Fat Street;

Mr. Sung Hon-tung, probationary dispenser, of No. 285 Leichikok Rd., and Miss Cheng Pui-lan, teacher, of No. 2 Tung Fong Street;

Mr. Co Cheng-hun, merchant, residing at the Hotel Cecil, and Miss Huynh Bun-chow, of No. 37 Bonham Road;

Mr. Cheng Shui-pak, salesman, of No. 22 Lyndhurst Terrace, and Miss Leung Woon-hing, of No. 384 Leichikok Road;

Mr. Chan Po-kuen, student, of No. 33 Connaught Road Central, and Miss Leung Chee-shueng, of No. 223 Wanchai Road;

Mr. Fan Kwai-wing, clerk, of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd., and Miss Ng Man-shang, of No. 128 Fuk Wa Street.

passengers—Capt. A. R. Williamson of Jardine, Matheson & Co., Mr. D. Fraser, for London, and Luang Prasad for Bangkok.

The next inward plane, with London mails dated May 15, is due to arrive in Hongkong on Sunday. Another inward plane with London mails of May 18, is due to arrive on Monday.

The next outward mail plane will leave Kai Tak on Sunday morning.

## ROYAL SCOTS BEAT RETREAT AT H.K.C.C.

There was a large attendance at the Hongkong Cricket Club yesterday evening when a Retreat was beaten by the Pipes and Drums and Military Band of the 2nd Battalion, The Royal Scots.

Guests were accommodated at the west end of the ground, while there was accommodation for the public on the north side. The quick march, "Aldershot," played by the Military Band and Bugles, greatly stirred listeners, while the Foursome Reel, danced by Pipers Stewart, Webster, Martin and Gray, was heartily applauded.

THE PROGRAMME

The programme was as follows: Slow March, Rowan Tree, Pipe Band; Quick March, Aldershot, Military Band and Bugles; Dance, A Foursome Reel, Danced by Pipers Stewart, Webster, Martin, Gray; Quick March, Punjab, Military Band; Slow March, (a) Scots Royals, Quick March, (b) The Royal Scots, Combined Bands (Two marches from the Royal Scots records of the year 1667); Retreat; Regimental March, Dumbarbans Drums.

## "ORDERS ARE ORDERS"

"Orders are orders," which opens on Empire Day at the Kowloon Cricket Club, is an appropriate entertainment for such an occasion. The sound of bugle calls, marching feet and the sharp words of command heard coming from the barrack square, are quite realistic of life in the army.

The story concerns Mr. Waggenmeyer, an American film producer, who goes to a quiet English cathedral town, complete with his "heavy woman" camera men, electricians, etc., to shoot a film of the British soldier at work.

This, of course, requires the permission of "the brass hats," but before this permission has been received, Mr. Waggenmeyer and his actors, actresses, properties, etc., arrive in barracks, to the amazement of the quartermaster. Just as Mr. Waggenmeyer thinks he has triumphed, the General Commanding the Division arrives on the scene and with what consternation to the military personnel present can be imagined.

The complications which follow when the Colonel and adjutant try to explain matters to the General are most amusing.

The seating for Saturday 25, is sold out but there are still some available for Friday, which may be obtained through members at the Club or Messrs. S. Moutre & Co. The proceeds will be sent to the Overseas League Tobacco Fund. Adequate arrangements are being made to supply refreshments to everyone during the intervals and bright orchestral music will be discoursed between the acts.

## FORGOT TO MAKE HIS REPORT

A German Roland Sander, 61, of No. 3, Julia Avenue, Mongkok, appeared before Mr. E. Hunsworth at Kowloon Court yesterday on a charge of failing to report in person at the Mongkok Police Station on Monday, May 20, as required by the regulations governing enemy aliens. He was fined \$5.

Defendant explained that on Monday he received permission from the District Superintendent of Police, Kowloon, to visit a friend on board a ship in harbour. The visit required a good part of the day and when he returned home he was tired, and went to bed immediately, forgetting about the regulation.

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## Toll Of The Road

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Of persons killed, an unknown Chinese male and a Chinese female age 45, were knocked down and killed by motor lorries whilst crossing the carriageway and three persons died from injuries received whilst alighting from moving vehicles, two from buses and one from a tram.

Of persons injured, 22 were pedestrians who were struck by vehicles, while crossing the carriageway. A bicycle rider was injured as the result of a collision between vehicles.

A bus passenger was injured when thrown against a bus entrance door when the bus suddenly stopped. A lorry passenger was injured when his lorry ran into a lamp post. A bus passenger was injured while attempting to board a moving bus. Of 100 accidents, 41 were collisions between vehicles; 39 were collisions between vehicles and pedestrians; 20 accidents were due to other causes.

## BROKERS CHARGED

Wong Kwok-tsam, alias Wong Shek-chuen, 51, described as a broker, was allowed \$5,000 bail when he appeared yesterday before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, at the Central Magistracy, on a charge of possession of counterfeit Hongkong ten-cent coins. The defendant was represented by Mr. G. S. Ford and the case is for committal.

FORGERY ALLEGED

Leung Yin-keung, 29, broker, appeared before Mr. J. J. Houston yesterday on a charge of obtaining goods by means of forged documents. Det-Sgt. R. Mcvey prosecuted.

Leung is alleged to have obtained on May 11, five sacks of white pepper from Yung Ching-ye, of No. 217, Wing Lok Street, and 14 bags of dried sea product from Leung Fat, at Bonham Strand West.

The defendant pleaded not guilty and hearing was fixed for May 30, at 2.30 p.m.

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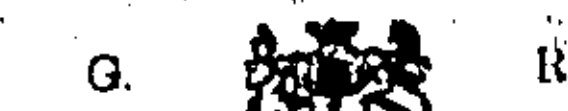
## NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETING.

The Fifty-ninth Ordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on Thursday, 30th May, 1940, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 23rd May to 13th June inclusive.

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## PUBLIC AUCTION

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 27th day of May, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one lot of Crown Land at Sham Shui-po, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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## The Colony's Trade

THE CHAIRMAN of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce touched on several interesting aspects of the Colony's trade position during 1939. His review was, perhaps, less comprehensive than it has been in past years, but it nevertheless presented clearly the manner in which Hongkong's economic position is being maintained in the face of difficulties which began with the hostilities between China and Japan and which have now been increased by the conflict in Europe. The several Committees appointed by the Chamber to advise the Government on the problems confronting the trading circles in Hongkong have undoubtedly been very active and instances of this during the past year have not been wanting when any special hardship appeared to have been created by new legislation which was introduced owing to war requirements.

THE CHAIRMAN'S intervention particularly in relation to the order limiting imports of motor vehicles and radio sets, except under special licence, has been greatly welcomed in trading circles. As conditions stand today, there is no doubt that the Colony's entrapot trade must be left unhampered and unrestricted as far as possible. The order which sought to limit purchases of these two classes of goods from non-sterling countries would eventually have defeated one of the most important aims of the Allies in trying to increase their trade with neutral countries at this time and, as the Chairman pointed out, would have seriously disrupted the import and retail trade of Hongkong. The Chamber's representations, however, only appear to have met with partial success in that goods already on their way to importers here will not be affected by the new order. The position is one that must, therefore, be still considered unsatisfactory from the importers' point of view and those in the trade, particularly for radio apparatus, must depend on the Chamber's good offices being carried further to bring the matter before the attention of the Government again.

THE CHAIRMAN also referred to the Colony's trade with South China and the disappointment felt over the fact that the Pearl River still remained closed. No one is, of course, surprised that promises made by the Japanese military authorities to reopen this important channel of trade have not been kept. It is only consistent with their policy of procrastination and prevarication which they have pursued in their dealings with third powers who have interests in China. In the meanwhile, however, British trade interests in Canton are being heavily handicapped and Hongkong's position as an emporium for South China's trade is being jeopardised. The situation as regards the Pearl River closure is aggravated by the fact that while Japanese trade is being permitted to use the river freely, discrimination is made, on the pretext that the military situation warrants it, against the movement of trade of third powers. This is another matter which the Chamber should take up strongly in asking the local

## THEFT ABOARD A BUS

### UNEMPLOYED IS FOUND GUILTY

FOR picking the pocket of a woman, named Kwok Mei and larceny from her person of a gold finger ring on board an Aberdeen bus, Wong Hoi-shum, a young man who described himself as an unemployed travelling trader, was sentenced to a year's hard labour by Mr. Justice E. H. Williams at the Criminal Sessions yesterday. Mr. J. Reynolds, Crown Counsel, prosecuted. The jury was: Messrs. A. S. McKay, Lam Kwok-hing, G. S. L. Angeles, Tse Koon-kee, Cheng Ching-wing, O. Ruml-jahn and Sat Ko-kat.

## ARMED ROBBERS GAOLED

Lo Yau and Yan Kwai-chiu, who pleaded guilty to a charge of committing an armed robbery at No. 15 Kilung Street, second floor, were each sentenced to three years' hard labour by Mr. Justice E. H. Williams at the Criminal Sessions yesterday. Sun Kun, who pleaded guilty to receiving stolen property, was sentenced to two years. Fourth accused, Yu Sau, a goldsmith, who was also charged with receiving stolen property, was found not guilty by the jury and discharged. Jewellery and property amounting to \$2,136 was stolen during the robbery, which occurred on April 19.

## NO PROPER LICENCE

Mak Hung was fined \$32 when he appeared before Mr. H. G. Sheldon at the Central Magistracy yesterday on a charge of possession of a radio set without an appropriate licence. It was stated that a licence becomes invalid if the owner changes his address without notification to the licensing authorities to that effect.

On a charge of robbery with violence at King's Park on May 8, four unemployed Chinese, Kam Chun, 25, Chan Wai, 25, Lo Chiu-luen, 19, and Lam Yuk, 19, were committed by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at Kowloon Court yesterday to stand trial at the Criminal Sessions. It is alleged that defendants robbed a woman named 'Lau' Lai-kwan of a purse containing \$8 in money and a gold finger ring.

## GERMAN CAMERA CONFISCATED

An order of confiscation of new German-made camera was granted by Mr. H. G. Sheldon at the Central Magistracy yesterday on the application of Senior Revenue Officer A. W. Grimmitt. It was stated that when a ship arrived from Shanghai on Monday a man, Ho Yiu, came off with a parcel which contained the camera. Mr. Grimmitt stated that Ho could appeal to the Governor-in-Council regarding the camera if he so desired.

administration to request the home Government to protest against this attitude of the Japanese Government.

AS FAR AS the rest of the Chairman's review was concerned, what he had to say about the Colony's trade position was certainly not discouraging. Hongkong had quickly adjusted itself to war conditions, but freedom for entrapot trade was unfortunately being maintained by placing the Colony outside the sterling bloc. The difficulties which threatened to follow this decision had been relieved, to some extent through the Imperial Preference regulations. Internal trade, however, showed signs of improvement, and the Chairman emphasised the need for fostering local manufactures if Hongkong is to successfully face the future.

## MOTOR CRASH IN WANCHAI



According to a Police report Tang Po, of No. 109, Sai Yee Street, was driving car No. 1325 along Queen's Road-East about 2 p.m. yesterday. Near the Naval Yard he swerved to avoid a pedestrian and in so doing ran into a tram standard, slightly damaging it. The havoc wrought to the car, as may be seen from the above picture, was considerable.

## GERMAN AIRCRAFT

### NEWSSETTES

The annual meeting of the Diocesan Old Boys' Association will be held today at 5.30 p.m.

Mr. J. A. Retehle of Messrs. Palmer and Turner, left Hongkong for Canton on Tuesday.

A group of Kowloon artists will give an exhibition in St. Andrew's Hall tomorrow and on Saturday.

Mr. H. Nolasco, the Macao lawyer, arrived in the Colony yesterday on a short visit.

Mr. A. Lebedeff will address the Theosophical Society today at 6 p.m. on "Where life Begins."

Mr. G. T. Palmer, Engineering Department, Relis, Bradley and Co., Ltd., left the Colony for Canton on Tuesday.

Mr. J. M. X. Chollet, manager, International Savings Society of Canton, who was in the Colony, left Hongkong on Tuesday.

Mrs. J. C. Ellis, wife of Mr. J. C. Ellis, of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Shanghai, arrived in Hongkong yesterday.

Mr. J. H. Warnings, of the Java-China-Japan Lijn, Batavia, who was in Hongkong, left the Colony yesterday. He was accompanied by Mrs. Warnings.

A 29-year-old married woman, Liu Chan, was taken to the Queen Mary Hospital on Monday after a fall from the roof of No. 116, Jaffe Road.

Miss A. Larm, of No. 28, Bowring Street, has reported to the police that while walking in Pokfulam Road about 10.50 a.m. on Tuesday a Chinese had attempted to snatch away her handbag. He ran off when she raised an alarm.

Under the auspices of the Hongkong Chinese Women's Club, the Chinese Amateur Dramatic Club will present the Chinese Operetta "The Romance of the Mighty Amazon" in ancient period costume, at the Tai Ping Theatre on June 1 and 2. The proceeds from the Operetta will be devoted to relief funds.

Mr. Luis Chan, who is holding his 5th One-Man Exhibition at St. John's Cathedral Hall on Saturday, has received a letter from Messrs. Doubleday Doran & Co. Inc. of New York, requesting him to send them his manuscript with a view to their considering its publication in New York. The book concerned is entitled "Chinese Art Throughout the Ages" which Mr. Chan took over a year to write, and is now being sent to the prospective publishers.

## WARRANT ISSUED

When the name of Wu Kwong, No. 33 Jardine's Bazaar, was called at the Central Police Court yesterday, in connection with a summons taken out by the Urban Council, it was found that defendant was absent.

The magistrate, Mr. H. G. Sheldon thereupon issued a warrant for Wu's arrest.

It was stated that Wu had failed to comply with a notice requiring him to cease using his premises for habitation, the place having been declared unfit for such purpose by the Urban Council. Sanitary Inspector S. Eccleshall prosecuted.

### Co-operation With The Army

Special to H.K. Daily Press  
When Field-Marshal Goering laid the initial plans for his Air Force in 1935, he had to decide what types of machines would best justify mass-production. He made up his mind that the future Nazi Air Force should become primarily a unit for army co-operation work—a sort of Reichswehr Flying Corps.

### TWO MODELS

Long before a suitable model can be turned out in large numbers, costly machines for producing that type must be made. Once a model is in full production, it is no easy matter to suddenly switch over to building other types.

The two principal models which the Nazi Field-Marshal finally selected for mass production five years ago were the Heinkel 111 and the Messerschmitt 109. These machines were designed essentially for army co-operation work and still constitute the backbone of the German Air Force.

In 1935, when the Messerschmitt 109 was first put into mass-production, it was acknowledged by air experts as one of the world's finest fighters. Since then, however, big strides have been made in developing the horse-power of fighter-engines.

### DRAWBACKS

When the 1,000-H.P. motor was perfected, the original Messerschmitt had to be modified, with the result that it is today over-engineered, not very manoeuvrable and liable to "wing flutter." Britain's Spitfires and Hurricanes are not subject to these drawbacks.

In combat with fast R.A.F. fighters, the Heinkel has two disadvantages: Considerably lower speed and far smaller fire-power; furthermore, due to the slim stream-lined fuselage, it makes it impossible for power-driven turrets to be fitted. For operating with a mechanised ground force, these two craft showed their worth, first in Spain and then in Poland, last September.

### NO MATCH

There is no doubt that in the present operations in Northern France, in close co-operation with tanks, these two models are extremely useful, but partly due to lack of gun-power and lack of speed, they are no match to the British fighters, once the latter get to grips with them.

Until their machines tasted the sting of the British 8-gun fighters and multi-gun bombers, Nazi designers were content to sacrifice fire-power for speed and load capacity.

## MAINTENANCE CHARGED

Charged with deserting his wife since March, 1934, and with wilfully failing to provide reasonable maintenance for her since March 1, 1940, a Portuguese, Carlos Passos Rissola Rocha, appeared on a summons before Mr. E. Himsforth at Kowloon Court yesterday.

Complainant in the case is Lindamira Rocha, of 183, Sai Yee Street, ground floor, who is represented by Mr. A. da Silva. The case was remanded a week.

## HEALTH RETURNS

Sixty-two cases of tuberculosis, six of measles, three of dysentery and two of cerebro-spinal fever were reported to the Health Authorities for the 24 hours ended at midnight on May 21.

## FRITZ THYSEN WARNED HITLER

### DRAGGING REICH INTO WAR

LONDON, May 4 (By Air Mail)—Herr Fritz Thyssen, the powerful German industrial magnate of other days and a backer of the Nazis at their beginning, now having broken with Hitler, is publishing his correspondence with Goering and Hitler from his retreat in Switzerland, where he took refuge last autumn.

### AGAINST WAR

The documents are appearing in instalments in the Paris-Solr. They start with Herr Thyssen's refusal to attend the meeting of

## "A BEASTLY TRAFFIC"

### WOMEN GAOLED FOR ABORTION

"A beastly traffic" was how the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, described the business carried on by two women, Tong Sau-wah and Kwong So-ching, who were sentenced at the Criminal Sessions yesterday to two years and 21 months respectively, on charge of illegally procuring a miscarriage for a married woman, named So Ying, at the "Foo Yun Yee She," No. 277 Shanghai Street, second floor.

His Lordship stated that, as the result of the case, he hoped Chinese press advertisements of places, such as the "Foo Yun Yee She," would be stopped.

Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted in the case, assisted by Det.-Insp. A. E. Carey. The jury was as follows: Messrs. D. L. Ballantyne, (foreman), Ma Wai-lam, D. Lonerhane, P. V. C. E. Liebenchutz, Luk Cheung, S. S. Hung and Lam Kwok-kee.

## RESISTING ARREST

Cheung Yin, aged 45, unemployed, appeared before Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Magistracy yesterday on charges of possession of an instrument fit for an unlawful purpose on Island Road on Tuesday and resisting arrest in the same place.

The instrument, a chopper, was ordered to be confiscated while defendant was sentenced to two months and one month on the first and second charges respectively.

Mr. D. E. G. Jansz, of the Editorial staff of the Hongkong Daily Press, left Hongkong for Singapore this morning.

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the Reichstag called for Sept. 1 last.

He telegraphed from Bad-Gastein, in Austria, to Goering, saying, "Am against war. By engaging in war Germany will, as regards raw materials, become a vassal of Russia and will lose her position as a world power."

He followed three weeks later with a memorandum to Goering, in which he said: "Since war has broken out, Germany should endeavour to bring it to an end in the briefest possible time, for the longer the war the harder will be the peace terms for Germany."

### GOERING'S GUARANTEE

Goering did not acknowledge this communication, and Herr Thyssen left for Switzerland. There he received a message that if he would return Goering would guarantee him against any personal or economic consequences of his protest against Hitler's policy.

Herr Thyssen answered disdainfully rejecting Goering's guarantee. He remanded Goering that he had been a faithful supporter of Nazism, and that he had registered only three protests, the last being when Germany was once again dragged into war without Parliament or the State Council having been consulted. He went on to stigmatise Hitler's policy as "suicidal."

As for his reason for not returning to Germany, Herr Thyssen reminded Goering of the fate of the Nazi secessionists in 1934, and mentioned that a nephew of his own had died mysteriously in the concentration camp at Dachau. "I count myself now an opponent of the regime," he said.

### TELLING INDICTMENT

Goering's answer was to confiscate Herr Thyssen's possessions. Upon this Herr Thyssen, writing from Lausanne on Dec. 28 last, addressed to Hitler a letter which must rank as one of the most telling indictments of Hitlerism.

The following is an extract: "I am opposed to the policy of these latter days. Above all I am opposed to this war, which you have so frivolously launched, and for which you and your henchmen are responsible. Your new policy, Herr Hitler, is dragging Germany into an abyss; it will be the ruin of the German people. Turn back while there is still time! Your policy, if it is carried out, spells Finis Germania!"

"Remember the oath you swore at Potsdam. Give back to the Reich a free Parliament; give back to the German people freedom of word and of conscience. Grant the guarantees that will give the words 'law and right' a meaning again, so that once more treaties and agreements can be based upon good faith!"

"Then—if it is not too late to avoid new disasters and the useless sacrifice of blood—then Germany may still perhaps obtain an honourable peace with her unity preserved."

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LONDON, May 22 (Reuter)—Sir Wilfred Greene, Master of the Rolls, left for Rome in order to renew his contacts with the Italian Government as Chairman of the British delegation to the Joint Anglo-Italian Standing Committee which was established on the outbreak of the war to provide machinery for discussion of economic matters.



# FRANCE AND ENGLAND CANNOT BE BEATEN

REYNAUD

## Premier's Tribute To The R.A.F. Greeted With Loud Applause

### BETTER TROOPS SENT TO BELGIUM

PARIS, May 22 (REUTERS).—"FRANCE AND ENGLAND CANNOT BE BEATEN; THEY CANNOT DIE," SAID M. REYNAUD, ADDRESSING THE SENATE.

"IF PEOPLE SAY TO ME THAT A MIRACLE IS NEEDED TO SAVE FRANCE, I WOULD SAY I BELIEVE IN MIRACLES. I BELIEVE IN FRANCE. SINCE THIS MORNING ARRAS AND AMIENS HAVE BEEN OCCUPIED BY THE GERMANS," HE SAID.

Referring to the collaboration between himself, Marshal Petain and General Weygand, M. Reynaud said "we must have confidence in our great leader, our soldiers, our airmen. The country is in danger and I shall tell the Senate and the nation the truth."

"French divisions are not numerous on the Meuse. The better troops have been sent to Belgium. By reason of incredible mistakes which shall be punished, the bridges over the Meuse were not blown up."

M. Reynaud spoke with great frankness regarding the serious position in which France and the Allies find themselves. The Premier was supported by his Cabinet, including Marshal Petain, M. Daladier and M. Chautemps.

#### "DISORGANISATION" OF ARMY

After declaring that Arras and Amiens were in the hands of the Germans, M. Reynaud said "Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg having been invaded, the enemy unleashed a formidable attack upon the French army in Sedan. Our divisions were not numerous on the Meuse which was defended by troops under General Corap. The infiltration of the Meuse is easy for mobile troops."

The Premier then spoke of the "disorganisation" of the Army under General Corap. When he mentioned the name of Marshal Petain, however, the Senators called out, "at last," and rising from their seats, applauded the victor of Verdun.

"Having made a breach, the enemy's motorised divisions went through. The German advance has continued and since yesterday morning Arras and Amiens have been occupied."

#### BACK TO SERVICE AGAIN

Our traditional conception of how war is waged has been thrown down for a new one—motorised raids in depth and parachutists."

M. Reynaud then reminded the House of 1914. "We ended by gaining the upper hand after our first reverses. Every man and every woman must understand the greatness of the hour in which we are living. May certain people not understand it until it is too late."

"Two men, who had the right to rest on their laurels, have

placed themselves at the service of the country—General Weygand and Marshal Petain.

"General Weygand is Marshal Foch's man who stopped the German Army in 1918. He is today on the battlefield. Between Marshal Petain, General Weygand and I, there is an absolute understanding. No weakness will be tolerated."

"There will be no more dilatory procedure with regard to traitors, saboteurs and cowards. I have told you the truth. Let us have confidence in our great leader and in our soldiers. Our aviators are covering themselves with glory. I thank the Royal Air Force (here the Senators stood up and cheered loudly). These two great people and two great Empires cannot be beaten. They cannot die."

#### NEW CONCEPTION

After his reference to the loss of Arras and Amiens M. Reynaud asked, "How have we got to this point? Is the moral value of our Army in doubt? Not at all."

The fighting which occurred in



Belgium during the first few days proved it. The truth is our classic conception of the conduct of war had come up against a new conception. That conception includes not only the massive use of heavy armoured divisions, or co-operation between them and aeroplanes, but also the creation of disorder by parachutists.

"I will not speak of false news and telephoned orders to the civil authorities with the object, for example, of causing hurried evacuations. We must think of a new type of warfare and take immediate decision. This surprise is not the first we have suffered and overcome in our history, ended in a mastery of the situation."

#### THE SAME TODAY

"It will be the same today if we all will it—if every soldier understands the immense role he plays. If each workman now working twelve hours a day bends over his machinery with even more intense energy."

"They are beginning to understand abroad that it is a question of themselves. May they not understand too late."

## DOG FIGHT OVER CHUNGKING

A fierce dog fight took place above Chungking on Tuesday night between a Japanese squadron, of about 30 planes, and a number of Chinese pursuits. The enemy raiders were driven off with heavy damage.

An unconfirmed report states that one of the Japanese planes crashed in the vicinity of Chang-shan, where a search for the wrecked machine is proceeding.

Several missiles dumped by the raiders on the outskirts of the city caused little damage.

## Rome Incident Regarded As Closed

LONDON, May 22 (Reuters).—The recent incident in Rome in which British officials were involved was recalled during question time in the House of Commons today, when Col. H. W. Burton asked for a Government statement relative to the interference of members of the Staff of the British Embassy in Rome.

The Foreign Under-Secretary, Mr. R. A. Butler, said that the incident had been satisfactorily disposed of between Count Ciano, Italian Foreign Minister, and the British Ambassador, Sir Percy Loraine, and was regarded as closed.

## ITALY TO BE IN WAR?

ROME, May 22 (Reuters).—The cumulative effect of the "now or never" propaganda is preparing the man in the street for what many regard as the inevitable decision—for many now believe that Italy's entry into the war is only a question of days.

The war atmosphere has been heightened by increased air activity in all the principal centres.

Troops in field kit were marching through Rome yesterday.

## ANTI-NAZIISM IN INDIA

ALLAHABAD, May 22 (Reuters).—Mr. Jawaharlal Nehru, former President of the Indian National Congress, stated in an interview that at a private meeting of the United Provinces Congress Committee on Sunday, he opposed those who wanted to start civil disobedience immediately because of the developments in Europe.

The Pandit said the war situation was distressing him because he did not wish to see Nazi domination of Europe. Nevertheless India's attitude was not determined by the war situation but by Britain's attitude to India and her refusal to recognise her independence.

Mahatma Gandhi had said, continued Mr. Nehru, that the present suspense could not long continue. Events were forcing the pace, but to time India's actions chiefly because of England's peril was wrong and against India's policy of truth.

## DOCKS BOMBED

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forces which are pressed together there.

"Attempts by the enemy to break through at Arras, via Arras, and further west, towards the south, were repulsed."

The communiqué claims 1,600 French and 13,000 Dutch were taken prisoners during the fighting in Zeeland on May 19.

#### FORTS TAKEN

The Neuf Chateau forts at Liege were taken and 12 officers and 500 men were captured.

The communiqué declares "On the night of May 22 enemy planes bombed western Germany at random. Most of the bomb were dropped in the open country and military objectives were not hit."

It added that the fighting at Narvik continues against far superior enemy forces.

#### NOT MUCH COAL

PARIS, May 22 (Reuters).—It is learned that Germany not getting much coal from Belgian mines before the evacuation of the country.

LONDON, May 22 (Reuters).—The Admiralty announces that the minelayer Princess Victoria (Captain J. B. E. Hall) has been sunk by an enemy mine. The commanding officer, two officers and 31 ratings are missing and it is feared they have lost their lives.

## NO CAUSE FOR ALARM, STILL LESS PANIC

### Each One Of Us Must Play Our Part In The War

LONDON, May 22 (Reuters).—Mr. Duff Cooper, Minister of Information, in a broadcast last night declared that the news is grave, but there is no cause for serious alarm, still less for panic.

By the successful employment of a new technique, small bodies of the German army have succeeded in penetrating a great distance. But they are small bodies, and the army of Britain and the far greater army of France are still there. They are neither in retreat, nor have they suffered heavy loss.

It is impossible to understand what is happening while the battle is still in progress. We hear that one advantage point has been gained, another lost, another regained; and out of these scraps of news imagination is inclined to build vast structures of conjecture.

"Three facts alone can be definitely stated. Firstly, the present objective of the enemy is the Channel ports, from where he hopes to launch war upon this island."

#### ARMIES NOT DEFEATED

"Secondly, small parts of his mechanised troops have succeeded in eluding their opponents, in advancing great distances, and coming near to their objective."

"Thirdly, the armies of England and France are undefeated."

"In enormously superior numbers they occupy the battlefield and the counter-attack, when it comes, should prove formidable."

"The swaying fortunes of the fight matter little. It is the end of the battle that counts, and, as I told you last week-end, the end of this battle, whatever it may be, cannot entail the defeat of Great Britain and France in war."

#### HISTORY REPEATED

"Meanwhile it is the old story which has been told over and over again, and which nevertheless always comes as a surprise to everyone. The sudden advance, the unexpected weight of the attack, the initial gains, are far greater than were expected—it is the story of August, 1914 and March, 1918, and let us hope it will find the same ending."

"Meanwhile, it is for each one of us to play our part. The battle is being brought close to our shores, so that each and everyone of us is taking part in it. Therefore we are all soldiers, and as such must acquit ourselves."

#### DANGEROUS RUMOURS

The first quality of a soldier is courage, a quality in which I am confident we shall not be found lacking.

"Let me repeat to you a warning against the cancer of rumour. I have experienced a good example of it myself this afternoon."

"I was told by a perfectly reliable and truthful reporter that the Premier of France had said that nothing but a miracle could save his country. I could hardly believe so stalwart a fighter as M. Reynaud had said anything of the sort, but I am afraid I repeated to several people what I had been told, and it was not until I came to read the actual account that I found he had said something quite different."

#### SUPREME CONFIDENCE

"His message was one of supreme confidence; he firmly announced his faith that nothing could defeat the united forces of the French Republic and the British Empire, and he added that if tomorrow, or at some future date any faint-hearted person were to come to him and say that nothing but a miracle could save France, he would feel confident that the miracle would be performed because he had faith in the salvation of France."

"I think these grave events will act, indeed, they have already acted as a tonic to the nation. I find wherever I go a calm spirit of inflexible determination."

#### "ALL WERE FOR STATE"

"The House of Commons this afternoon was a very different assembly from what it was before Whitman. It reminded me of the words of Macaulay: 'Then none was for a Party, and all were for the state.' Our old party differences, which have often been so bitter in the past, and may be so in the future, had been laid aside as playthings for which we had no longer any use."

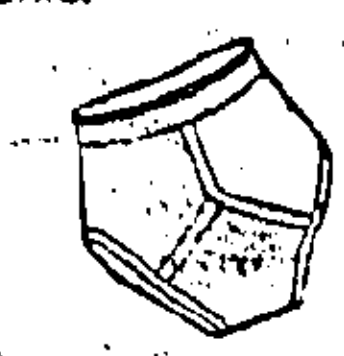
"Something of so much greater importance had taken their place. There was only one sentiment in the mind of all—a united Commonwealth, united as perhaps it had never been for the danger is so great and so close."



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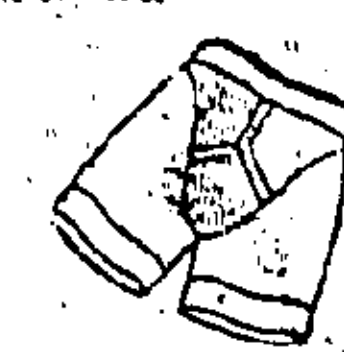
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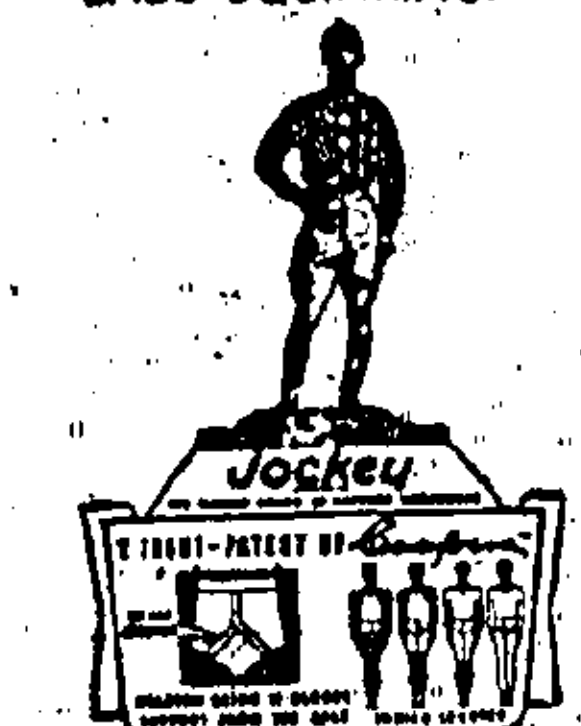


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## THEIR CARS WERE NEEDED BACK

LONDON, May 22 (Reuters).—British war correspondents who had been with the B.E.F. in France returned to England last night with a number of American and journalists of other nationalities. Among the reasons for their return is that the cars used for their transport are now required for more urgent matters.

## SOMME LINE HELD

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It appears that small German detachments infiltrated into the region but have not yet been followed by heavy armoured elements.

Small groups of motor-cyclists, armed with machine-guns, have been traversing the roads, attacking communication centres with more or less success.

The retaking of Arras by the French within 24 hours of its capture by the enemy well illustrates the extreme mobility of the fighting in northern France. French troops are close to Amiens, if not actually in the town, where it seems probable the German occupation is only light.

In the eastern region there were no new German attempts to cross the Aisne and the enemy attacks at Montmedy had ceased completely.

The heavy artillery action in the northern end of the Maginot Line, which had previously continued for three or four days, had also died down.

#### JUMPED INTO SOMME

A German motor-cycle attack was reported on the station of Abbeville. The station-master had just sent off the last train and was chatting with the police inspector when the attack occurred. The couple jumped into the Somme in an attempt to escape but the Germans machine-gunned them and killed the station-master. The police inspector escaped and warned the military authorities.

## CASUALTY LIST NO. 4

LONDON, May 22 (Reuters).—A total of 724 names—98 officers and 626 other ranks, appear in the War Office Casualty List No. 4. The largest number, under various classifications, appear under the heading "Died," namely 41 officers and 525 men. The list includes five women who died on active service.

## Main Battle Not Yet Out: Air Force Now Doing Heavy Work

PARIS, May 22 (Havas).—Official announcement of German occupation of Arras and Amiens, and acceptance of the possibility that one of their mechanised detachments has reached the mouth of the Somme, at Abbeville on the coast, revealed last night how grimly the situation is still developing.

It is stressed however that the dramatic German "advance" must not be misunderstood. The occupation was carried out by the motorised forces and parachute troops only, and the main dispositions are unaffected.

Measures are already being taken to deal with the infiltration.

It is officially and categorically denied in Paris that either General Giraud or his staff have been taken prisoner by the Germans.

The Germans claim, to have taken them prisoner when capturing Abbeville.

#### ONLY LIGHT COLUMNS

On Tuesday, the Germans sent light columns and parachute troops far to the west of France, and it is possible that some may have reached this district.

But it is pointed out in Paris that sweeping German claims covering the whole of northern France form part of the "Propaganda Offensive" which is launched side by side with the "Military Offensive."

Except for the heavy fighting around the "bulge," particularly in the Cambrai-Somme sector, it is impossible to deal fully with any fighting zone as such. The Germans make thrusts towards certain towns, often only with motor-cyclists.

#### ALL ATTACKS REPULSED

They then announce over the radio that they have taken these towns.

In the Sedan area, all attacks have been repulsed. The same applies to Rethel.

These are all "local engagements," and it is stressed in Paris that the main battle between the

French and German Armies has not yet been fought. Most of the really heavy work is being carried out by the air forces.

The whole district behind Cambrai is being set on fire by the Germans with bombs. Parachute troops, too, landed with lighted torches especially at railway stations. The railway stations at Amiens, Arras and certain other points are on fire.

## SPEEDING UP DEFENCES

WASHINGTON, May 22 (Reuters).—All the United States Navy establishments "has been ordered to speed up defence preparations by working additional shifts and by increasing civilian shipbuilding forces, by at least fifteen thousand within three months. Sixty-six warships, including eight battleships, are at present under construction or projected."

LONDON, May 22 (Reuters).—Latest reports reaching London show that the B.E.F. is fighting well on the positions assigned to it, and is in good heart. To the south of the British front, the situation is still obscure, but German claims in this area are known to be based on limits reached by small mechanised detachments.



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## Good Work Kept Up

## EVER ACTIVE R.A.F.

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter)—German troops moving over the battlefield of Arras, Bapaume, St Quentin and Cambrai were subjected to repeated attacks by R.A.F. aircraft throughout the night, states the Air Ministry news service. Tanks, armoured cars, troop transports and other reinforcements were vigorously attacked.

A section of Blenheim bombers located and attacked a mile-long procession of motor transport.

One aircraft, becoming aware of movement of troops in the Mouillon Forest, dropped a number of bombs and within a few minutes a raging fire spread over a wide area.

Near Lecateau a convoy of heavy lorries was bombed at the head and in the centre and the scene of disorder was added to by sweeping the convoy with machine-gun fire. Outside Lecateau two hits were made on a train.

## MEN FROM THE COLONIES

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter)—In the House of Commons yesterday, asked whether they would consider supplementing British manpower by recruiting coloured fighting men from the Colonies and Protectorates, and as to how far they could be equipped and trained in each Colony before being sent to France, Mr. Anthony Eden said, "the voluntary enlistment of men from the Colonies and Protectorates has been proceeding, and it is expected that the majority will, for the present, be required for military duties for those territories, thus discharging an important function which would otherwise have to be performed by British troops. Men are receiving training and equipment locally."

## COLONIAL DEVELOPMENT AND WELFARE

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter)—In the House of Commons yesterday, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, Minister of Health and former Colonial Secretary, moved the second reading of the Bill authorizing the expenditure of £3,000,000 a year for ten years for Colonial development and welfare and £500,000 a year on Colonial research, as well as remitting the loans amounting to over £11,000,000 from the United Kingdom to the Colonies.

He said it was characteristic of the scene of our energy was being thrown in to the tasks of discomfiting, defeating and destroying the enemy, yet the House found time to turn and offer substantial and generous encouragement to Colonial development.

## SIGN OF VICTORY

Continuing, Mr. MacDonald said: "At this critical hour, the world will make the passage of this Bill through British Parliament as a sign of ultimate victory. This nation will pass triumphantly through its present ordeal, however hard, grim and desperate the struggle may be, and when the enemy is worsted and the war finished, Britain will still exercise vast responsibilities for the government of Colonial peoples."

"In the meantime we must not default upon our Colonial obligations. We must not let slip the experienced skill of our guiding hand; we must even now, have constant care to protect and promote the well-being of our fellow subjects in the Empire overseas."

## ANXIETIES SHARED

"In these sombre days, our anxieties and hopes are fully shared by the peoples of the Colonies. It seems to me that one of the most notable assurances that our cause is just, is the fact that these distant peoples, alien to us in race, who are ruled by us, sprang instantly and spontaneously to our side at the moment of the declaration of war."

"There are some 50 Colonial territories. Most of them are far

removed from the scene of our European quarrels. Many of them are comparatively small communities who, in these circumstances, might well have thought to excuse themselves from the sufferings, hazards and dangers of modern war."

"But not a single one of them chose to take that course. I think it significant that these 50,000,000 people, scattered over 50 distant territories, who are not free to govern themselves and who are governed by us, recognise instinctively from that experience that we are the true guardians of the peoples."

## CLINICS AND HOSPITALS

Nevertheless, he continued, the proposals for the assistance towards Colonial developments were not a bribe or reward for the Colonies' support in the present supreme crisis. They were conceived long before the war and were part of the normal peacetime development of British Colonial policy.

The money would be devoted to research, building clinics, hospitals, schools, etc.

The Government also attached particular importance to the giving of assistance to works of economic development. These works would enable them to exploit to the maximum the natural resources of those territories which would place a colony in a position to finance, out of its own resources, the administrative and social services required.

The object was that the Colonies should become, as far as possible, self-supporting units.

## NAZI DRIVE CONTINUES

## GERMAN COMMAND MAKE CLAIMS

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter)—The Nazi drive towards the Channel ports is still being pressed energetically to the north-west. The German High Command on Tuesday put out claims which are not substantiated in London or Paris.

The Germans, for instance, claimed to have taken Arras, Amiens and Abbeville (which is on the coast at the mouth of the Somme). Information available in London shows that these claims are exaggerated.

Arras, for instance, is in the British sector and it is known for certain that it is not in German hands. The other claims have probably the same basis as the earlier German communications.

## NO SUPPORT FOR ADVANCE COLUMNS

The Germans have pushed ahead with armoured columns in attempts to take advance positions on bridges, roads and communications. These small columns often go far ahead of the main body without support of any sort and it may be something like this which form the basis of the German claims in the northern district of France.

Tuesday's 3 a.m. communiqué has further confirmed that British troops are holding firmly their assigned positions and all attacks in the past 24 hours have been repulsed.

## JUST AS BLACK IN 1918 BUT WE WON

OTTAWA, May 22 (Reuter)—Addressing the House of Commons yesterday, the Canadian Premier, Mr. Mackenzie King asked the members to remember that "in this, probably one of the darkest hours in the history of our Empire, that the outlook was similarly black in 1918, but the British and French troops rallied and won."

Mr. Mackenzie King declared that the situation of France was more serious.

He briefly reviewed the position from the communiques received and declared that the British and French were working in close co-operation, their moral unbroken.

## BACK ON AN URGENT CALL

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter)—Major-General the Duke of Gloucester arrived in London on Tuesday night from France on urgent duty.

He visited the War Office early yesterday morning.

Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands also arrived from France on Tuesday evening.

## CHINESE CLEANING-UP CAMPAIGN IN SINYANG

CHUNGKING, May 22 (Central)—Chinese forces are continuing their cleaning-up operations around Sinyang, on the Peiping-Hankow Railway in south Honan, which is reported to have been recaptured by the Chinese last Saturday.

Since Sunday, close-quarter combats have been raging between the Chinese and small Japanese remnant units. The Chinese have concentrated their fire on Kuchiao where the Japanese have entrenched themselves.

## NATION ANSWERS CALL FOR MORE EFFORT

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter)—The call of Mr. Herbert Morrison, Minister of Supply, to the nation to put its last ounce of strength into the production of arms and the nation's response has formed the theme of many editorials yesterday in the British press.

In the past few days, says the "News Chronicle," there has been an upward surge of determination.

Everyone feels that the new government is getting right down to the job of fighting the war with the last ounce of strength.

## 24-HOUR DAY

The will to win is striking. Workers believe that they will get a fair deal. There has never been such solidarity as in Britain today.

The Labour "Daily Herald" says that the Cabinet will hear the views of its Labour members and the Labour M.P.s must interpret this to the nation.

The "Daily Mail" calls for a 24-hour day for war industries. One shift system in armament factories must be abolished.

The vested interests of capital or labour must not be allowed to hamper the war effort in the rapidly approaching situation in which the whole life of the country may have to be conscripted.

## Pres. Roosevelt Denounces German Barbarism

WASHINGTON, May 22 (Reuter)—At a Press conference yesterday, President Roosevelt said that enemy planes were sweeping down the roads of France with machine-guns wide open, taking a death toll of refugees, the like of which has never been seen before, and he thought the United States would realise the implications of that method of warfare.

The President enunciated a three-point policy in connection with the general discussion of the defence programme:

Firstly, not a single war millionaire as a result of war disaster abroad;

Secondly, labour should not see to take advantage of the current emergency situation; and,

Thirdly, Government proposed in no way to weaken the social gains made in the past two years.

Referring to the world "implication," President Roosevelt did not reveal what he thought the implication should be, but remarked that the United States was pretty well united in the current situation and the faster news came from Europe the more united the American people became.

## DEEP IMPRESSION

President Roosevelt added that 5,000,000 women and children were fleeing southward in France along a 200-mile front, using every available road. They were mostly on foot or in carts, with the enemy planes gunning them.

President Roosevelt made the deepest impression even on the hard-boiled pressmen with his quiet, but obviously heartfelt denunciation of German machine-gunning of fleeing French women children and old men.

## ALL HELP TO THE ALLIES

WASHINGTON, May 22 (Reuter)—When Senate began its debate on the Army Supply Bill yesterday Mr. Claude Pepper, one of the Democrat members for Florida, declared that the next few days of the European war "may mark the turning point of civilisation."

He submitted a resolution permitting President Roosevelt to sell to the Allies for cash any war planes now in possession of the United States Army and Navy.

## ENEMY LOSES 308 PLANES

PARIS, May 22 (Reuter)—A communiqué states that in the region north of the Somme the enemy is continuing his pressure in pushing his advance elements as far as Amiens and Arras. On the rest of the front the situation is unchanged despite local efforts by the enemy.

Intense activity by our reconnaissance aircraft and bombing formations who, with the collaboration of Naval bombing units, ceaselessly harassed the enemy troops on the ground.

The minimum number of enemy planes shot down by French aircraft, and anti-aircraft defence alone between May 9 and May 19 is now known to be 308.

## Question On Situation In China

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter)—In the House of Commons yesterday Mr. Robert Gibson asked the Government to make a statement regarding the political situation in China.

Mr. R. A. Butler, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said there had been no recent change of importance. Some fighting, in which both sides claimed successes, had taken place in Central China.

He understood that there had been no interruptions of missionary activities in the province of Shensi. Any steps to afford alternative medical and educational facilities provided by the missionary bodies in Shansi and other Japanese-occupied areas were supplementary to, and were in no way intended to replace those provided by the State.

## GREAT VICTORY CLAIM

Mr. Butler added that a number of hospitals were recently reopened and that it was hoped that further progressive improvements would occur.

Mr. J. J. Davidson, of the Opposition, asked if British policy was regarding this matter as one of complete neutrality, and if so, would the Minister keep in mind what Mr. Winston Churchill had said with regard to neutrals?

Mr. Butler expressed his inability to follow all Mr. Davidson's insinuations but he could say that our policy was to secure improvements wherever possible.

Mr. Davidson remarked that the Chinese Embassy claimed that they recently won one of the greatest victories in the war.

Mr. Butler, "Yes, Mr. Quao Tai-chi communicated to us recently certain reports of that character."

## TWO GENERALS CONGRATULATED

CHUNGKING, May 22 (Central)—The National Comfort Association has sent a telegram to Gen. Li Tsung-jen and Gen. Wei Li-huang, commanders of the Chinese forces in Honan and Hupeh, congratulating them on the recent Chinese victory.

The despatch was signed by Gen. Chen Cheng, Director of the Political Department of the National Military Council, and currently chairman of the Association, and Messrs. Ku Chen-kang, Ma Chao-chun and Kuo Mo-jo, vice-chairmen.

Mr. Yu Yu-jen, President of the Control Yuan, has also sent a congratulatory message to Gen. Li Tsung-jen.


The National Women's Relief Association is sending two delegates with \$100,000, 10,000 pairs of shoes and several embroidered banners to comfort the Chinese frontline troops responsible for the recent victory in the Hupeh-Honan border regions.

## GEN. ABE INACTIVE

CHUNGKING, May 22 (Central)—General Nobuyuki Abe dispatched by the Japanese Government as Envoy Extraordinary to the Wang Ching-wei regime has been inactive since his arrival in Nanjing in April, says a Shanghai dispatch.

Except attending a ceremony in celebration of the so-called "return of the National Government" to Nanjing and other social functions, General Abe has not taken any important step toward the improvement of relations between Japan and the Wang Ching-wei regime.

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## Gen. Garibaldi—No Mean Soldier In Own Right

General Giuseppe ("Peppino") Garibaldi of Manhattan and Connecticut is the grandson and namesake of Italy's late great Liberator and no mean soldier in his own right. In 1897, aged 17, he climbed out of a window of the Technical College at Fermo, Italy, and made off to Athens, where his father was collecting a band of Italian volunteers to fight in the Greek war against the Turks.

It was then that he donned, for the first time, the Garibaldian traditional red shirt ("because a man in a red shirt can neither hide nor retreat").

RESENTMENT  
General Garibaldi resents being called a soldier of fortune, explains that the only time he ever fought against his convictions was in the Boer War, when he joined an armoured column under Kitchener.

At 23 he was leading 3,000 Venezuelan rebels against Dictator Cipriano Castro, held the title of Citizen-Colonel and Commander of the Artillery of the Army of the Orient.

Faced with mutiny, he shot every tenth man in one company. Later he was captured, chained to a damp wall in Puerto Cabello Fortress, whence he escaped by swimming through waters thick with sharks.

In 1910 he fought for Francisco Madero against Dictator Porfirio Diaz of Mexico. In 1914 he rounded his six adventurous brothers from all parts of the world, raised an Italian Legion of 14,000 men to fight for France. When Italy got into World War he volunteered, emerged as a brigadier general.

BLACK SHIRT "GANG"  
As head of a clan of tyrant-hating Red Shirts, peppery Peppino Garibaldi naturally did not think much of Benito Mussolini's Black Shirts. In 1924 he called the Roman Legions of the Fascist militia "a gang in the pay of the Government," and the Legions' commander, General Varini, challenged him to a duel.

Peppino refused, said that insult had been meant for Mussolini, whom he would gladly fight any day. General Italo Balbo, then commander of all the militia, thereupon challenged him. Peppino still wanted, Mussolini.

More Canadians FOR FRANCE  
OTTAWA, May 22 (Reuter)—Mr. Rogers, Defence Minister, has announced that a further contingent of Canadian troops have just arrived in England, including reinforcements for the First Canadian Division.



## HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Buyers	Sellers	Bid	Offer	WED. 22. MAY.	Buyers	Sellers	Bid	Offer
\$1310				H.K. Banks	\$1310			
				Do. (Col. Reg.)				
				Do. (Loc. Reg.)				
				Chartered Bank				
				Mercantile Bk. (A)				
				Mercantile Bk. (C)				
				Bank of East Asia				
				N. C. & S. Bank				
				Insurance				
				Canton Insurance				
				Union Insurance				
				Underwriters				
				H.K. Fire				
				Shipping				
				Douglas				
				Steamship				
				Indo-China (Prof.)				
				Indo-China (Dom.)				
				Waterways				
				Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.				
				H.K. & E. Wharves				
				Providence (new)				
				H.K. Docks (R.T.S.)				
				H.K. Docks (N.R.S.)				
				Shanghai Docks & R.				
				Mining				
				Kailash				
				Gold Field				
				Hong Kong Mines				
				Lands, Hotels and Buildings				
				H.K. Hotels				
				H.K. Lands				
				Do. 4% Debentures				
				Shanghai Lands & B.				
				H.K. Real Estate				
				Humphreys				
				Chinese Estates				
				Cotton Mills				
				Ewo (S.)				
				Shel Cottons (S.)				
				Zong Sing (S.)				
				Wing On Textiles (S.)				
				Public Utilities				
				Tramways				
				Park Tram (old)				
				Park Tram (new)				
				Star Ferry				
				Yamoi Ferry				
				Do. (new)				
				China Lights (O)				
				China Lights (New)				
				China Lights Rts.				
				H.K. Electric				
				Macao Electric				
				Sandwich Light				
				Telephone (old)				
				Telephone (new)				
				Tramways				
				Tramways (Prof.)				
				Industrials				
				Cald. Macg. (Ord.)				
				Cald. Macg. (Prof.)				
				Canton Iron				
				Cement				
				Bones				
				Miscellaneous				
				Dairy Farm				
				Dairy Farm				
				Ch. E. Industries				
				Constructions (old)				
				Constructions (new)				
				Lane Crawford				
				Nanyang Tobacco				
				Sinacore				
				Waisac				
				Ch. G. 5% 1930 Bds.				
				H.K. Govt. 4% Loan				
				H.K. Govt. 4% Loan				
				H.K. Wing On				
				Shel Wing On				
				Vibro Piling				
				Maramba Inv. (Lon.)				
				Maramba Inv. (H.K.)				
				Wm. Powell				
				Sales 'o' Shanghai				

## LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

(REUTERS' SERVICE)

London, May 21.	(bearer)	10
The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.	Chosen Corporation	6/8
	Pekin Syndicate	2
	Shal Elec. Constr. Co.	15
	Shal Waterworks "A"	15
	Union Insurance	28
	Gula Kalumpung Rubber	18/11
	Allied Ironfounders	13/3
	Asso. & Elec. Industries	37/9
	Austin Motors, ord.	15
	Cable & Wireless, New	
	Form, ord.	49
	B. A. Tob. (bearer)	95
	Mercantile Bank	124
	Cammell Laird, ord.	8
	Mexican Eagle	4/3
	Courtaulds	32/104
	Distillers	60/9
	Dunlop Rubber	32/6
	Gen. Electric (England)	75/9
	Guinness (A) Son & Co.	10/3
	Hawker Siddeley Air.	12/14
	Bristol Aeroplane	12/14
	Imperial Chemical Ind.	28/9
	Imperial Tobacco	102/6
	Marks & Spencer "A" ord.	38
	Rolls Royce	82/6
	Leyland Motors	58/9
	Tate & Lyle	50
	Turner & Newall	83/9
	United Steel	20/44
	Smethwick Drop Forg.	13/9
	Armstrong Stevens, ord.	7
	Pressed Steel, com.	15
	Vickers, ord.	15/44
	Woolworths	55
	Anglo-Dutch	19/6
	Bub. Plant. Invest. Trust	28/3
	Burma Corporation	7/104
	Commonwealth Mining	
	Maramba Investments	11/6
	Randfontein Estates	37/6
	Western Holdings	10/6
	Sub-Nigel	192/8
	Tanami Gold Mining	444
	Anglo-Iranian	48/0
	Burmah	63/9
	Shell Trans. & Trad.	
	(bearer)	62/6
	Nominal	
War Loan, 3 1/2% (Red after 1952)		97 1/2
Canton-K'loon Rly. 5%		12
Chinese 4 1/2% Gold Loan (1898 (Brit. Issue))		50
Chinese 5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47		48
Chin. 4 1/2% Anglo-French Loan, 1908		49
Chinese 5% Crisp Loan, 1912		20
Chinese 5% Boorg. Loan, 1913 (Ldn. Is.)		30
Chinese 8% Ster. Notes, 1925 (Vickers)		9
Chin. Imperial Rly. 5% Loan		60
Honan Rly. 5%		12
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911		16
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911 (German Issue)		13
Lung Tsing & U. Hai Rly. 5% 1913		11
Shai-N'Kling Rly. 5%		17
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd.)		11
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (German Stpd.)		11
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd. Supl. Loan)		11
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Ger. Stpd. Supl. Loan)		11
Jap. 5% Ster. Loan, 1907		39
Jap. 5% Ster. Loan, 1924		43
Jap. 7% Intl. Loan, 1924		64
Chartered Bank (Ldn. Reg.)		78 1/2
H.K. & Shai Bank (Col. Reg.)		81 1/2
Chinese Eng. & Mining		

## Finance and Commerce

## CHINA INSURANCE CO., LTD. HOLD ANNUAL MEETING

The 59th Ordinary Meeting of the Canton Insurance Office Ltd. was held yesterday. Mr. T. E. Pearce was in the chair, owing to the indisposition of the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, chairman of the Consulting Committee.

Those present were Mr. D. E. Clark, Mr. A. H. Compton, the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, Mr. J. H. Taggart (Directors) and Mr. F. C. Hall (Secretary) and the following shareholders:—Messrs. Ho Kam-long, D. Hung, M. H. Lo, D. V. Stevenson, S. H. Ross, D. L. Newbiggin, J. Fleming, Lo Cheung-ip and C. B. Brown.

Before presenting the report, Mr. Pearce expressed regret for Mr. Paterson's absence owing to indisposition and wished the chairman a speedy recovery.

## CHAIRMAN SPEECH

Presenting the annual report, Mr. Pearce said:—

The statement of accounts for the year 1938, which we now present to you, is I am pleased to say an appreciable improvement on that for 1937, the balance of \$1,228,070.87 being better by \$316,309.24 and this despite the fact that income from Premium and Interest fell by over \$638,000.

A comparison of ratios between the two years reveals losses at 54.27 per cent. for 1938 as against 69.63 per cent. for 1937, while the rise to 30.20 per cent. from 26.43 per cent. in respect of Charges is but the natural sequence to the drop in premium.

The Underwriting Surplus, after twenty-four months working, was 15.53 per cent. as against 3.94 per cent. for the year 1937, at the same stage. Interest shows a decline of \$93,133.11, this being mainly due to the continued shrinkage in the sterling value of the China National Dollar.

## FALL IN INTEREST

The balance at credit of Working Account 1939, as at December 31, last, stood at \$1,888,906.44 and although this is less by \$265,920.10 than the carry forward for account 1938 at the same stage, we are hopeful that the elimination of certain unsatisfactory business will result in the outturn, at the end of the current year, comparing not unfavourably with that for 1938. This account likewise discloses a fall in interest of \$69,000 when compared with the account for 1938, also at the end of twelve months.

## SHANGHAI LOSSES

A review of the Balance Sheet will show that the total of assets

## The Economic Front

## ALLIED BLOCKADE TIGHTENED

The tightening of the Allied blockade which proved so grim for Scandinavia, also stirred the Balkans. German shells and bombs are made from Swedish steel, but airplanes are built of duralumin, a copper alloy of aluminum, which is extracted from bauxite.

Since the war began Germany has been dependent for bauxite almost entirely on Hungary and Yugoslavia, which produce 22 per cent. of the world tonnage.

## HEMMED AND HAWED

The Ankara, a 4,768-ton freighter whose home port is Bremen one of 28 German ships that holed up in Trieste when war began, last month ran down to Dubrovnik (better known to tourists as Ragusa), loaded, then lay for days while Belgrade hemmed and hawed.

The Germans asked for a naval escort through Yugoslavia's neutral waters, hoping to establish a system whereby Nazi freighters could ply all around the neutral Balkan peninsula from Russia's Black Sea oil ports. But Yugoslavia had no wish to offend the Allies.

## MORE DUE

One dawn without escort and with a pilot who demanded \$1,200 for the 425-mile run to Trieste, the Ankara started creeping up inside the islands which fringe that rugged coast. The Ankara made Trieste unattacked. More bauxite boats were due to follow. Italy and Yugoslavia conferred over the week-end about closing the Adriatic, to belligerent warships.

Meanwhile Rumania had a parallel problem. Rumanian police, acting on a tip supposedly supplied by the pro-Nazi Iron Guard, detained a fleet of dynamite carrying British barges in the Danube. Their supposed destiny, to blast the Iron Gate, the narrow gorge where the Danube cuts through the Carpathians, and block the channel to other barges carrying Rumanian oil to Germany.

## Ten Thousand War Planes For U.S.

WASHINGTON, May 22 (Reuter).—Naval air strength of not less than 10,000 planes and 16,000 pilots was proposed in a legislation introduced by the chairman of the Naval Committee of the Senate and the House of Representatives, respectively. This action was taken after a conference with President Roosevelt and ranking admirals.

In a joint statement the chairman, Senator Walsh, and Representative Vinson, declared that the President proposed to use \$100,000,000 for naval aviation facilities and personnel legislation would also be introduced requesting an additional \$125,000,000 for the establishment and development of naval aviation bases.

Both Committee struck at fifth Column activities, particularly approving measures, to dismiss suspected workers and soldiers.

## H.K. STOCK EXCHANGE

The market was inactive.

## BUYERS

H.K. Banks \$1,310

## SELLERS

Docks Rts. \$6.20

## SALES

H.K. Banks \$1,313

China Lights (Old) \$6.90

Electric \$60

## HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume of Business Transacted on Wednesday, May 22

China Lights (Old) 600 \$6.90

China Providents 250 3.75

H.K. Electric 100 60.00

H.K. Tramways 500 16.00

Yaumati Ferries 300 16.00

200 22.25

1,650

The total value is \$28,327.50

Ho Kam-tong and was carried by the meeting.

## COMMITTEE RE-ELECTED

Mr. D. V. Stevenson proposed, Mr. S. H. Ross seconded and the meeting carried that the following be re-elected as members of the Consulting Committee:—

The Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson (Chairman), Mr. D. E. Clark, Mr. A. H. Compton, The Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, Mr. T. E. Pearce, Mr. J. H. Taggart and Mr. S. T. Williamson.

Mr. M. H. Lo proposed and Mr. D. L. Newbiggin seconded that Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, Percy Smith Seth and Fleming, be re-elected as auditors.



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HONG KONG TIDE TABLE						
From 23 to 29 May 1940.						
HIGH WATER.			LOW WATER.			
Days of Week	Date of Month	Hong Kong Standard Time.	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height.	
Thur.	23	h.m.	ft.	h.m.	ft.	
		09 58	7.4	03 21	8.9	
Fri.	24	00 00	4.6	17 03	0.4	
		10 31	7.3	17 45	0.5	
Sat.	25	00 00	4.4	04 29	3.4	
		11 08	7.1	18 30	0.6	
Sun.	26	01 44	6.8	19 15	0.8	
		11 41	6.8	19 15	1.3	
Mon.	27	09 39	4.3	05 49	2.8	
		12 15	6.9	20 02	1.5	
Tues.	28	03 37	4.4	06 45	4.0	
		12 55	5.7	20 58	1.8	
Wed.	29	04 35	4.6	07 59	4.2	
		12 50	5.9	21 45	2.0	



## FOREIGN MARKETS &amp; QUOTATIONS

## MONEY AND EXCHANGE

## CLOSING QUOTATIONS

MAY 22, 1940.

On London:—	
Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 27/32	
Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 27/32	
Credits 4 months sight 1/2 27/32	
On Shanghai:—	
On demand 330	
On Singapore:—	
On demand 32 5/8	
On Japan:—	
On demand 82	
On India:—	
Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 27/32	
and demand 1/2 27/32	
On New York:—	
Bank Bills, on demand 19 3/8	
Credits 4 months sight 20 5/8	
On Batavia:—	
On demand 3 1/8	
On Paris:—	
Bank Bills, on demand 10 1/8	
Credits 4 months sight 11 1/8	
On Saigon:—	
On demand 1 1/8 1/2	
On Manila:—	
On demand 3 3/4	
On Bangkok:—	
On demand 14 3/4	
On Sterling Notes:—	
Bank Buying Rate 1/4	
Bar Silver per oz. 22 9/16	

## Market Report

FROM ROZA BROS.

The price for Ready silver dropped 1/16 to 22 9/16 but the forward rate rose 1/16 to 22 7/16. Silver futures reported India and Speculators as having operated both ways. A small business was done. The market was quiet. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.

The London/New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York/London was quoted at 317.

## MARKET

## STERLING

There were sellers at 1/2 15/16 for near and forward, buyers at 1/2 13/16 for all delivery.

## U.S. DOLLARS

The market opened with sellers at 19 5/8 but the rate gradually rose to 20 with a small business done at that rate. Subsequently 29 1/16 was also done for near and first half of June. The market closed with sellers at 20 for May and 19 15/16 for June, buyers at 20 1/16 for May.

## SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Opened with sellers at 350 and closed with sellers at 360 for Spot.

## SHANGHAI MARKET

Sellers of Sterling at 41 1/8 for Spot and U.S. at 51 1/16 for Spot.

## Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, May 22 (Reuters).

## Official T.T. Rates

	Opening	Closing
London	0/3-3/4	
New York	5	
Japan	21-1/4	
India	20-3/4	
Paris	27 1/2	
Hongkong	25	

## Sellers

	Opening	Closing
Spot	0/4-9/64	0/4-5/64
May	0/4-1/8	0/4-1/16
June	0/3-31/32	0/3-57/64

## U.S. Dollars

	Spot	May	June
Spot	\$5-21/32	\$5-17/32	
May	5-5/8	5-15/32	
June	5-3/8	5-7/32	

Market—Inclined to be easy.

Silver Duty Rate

The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2d.

The Equalisation rate was 18 1/2 per cent.

## India Rupee Paper

Bombay, May 21 (Reuters).

Government 3 1/2 Rupee, 88-00-0 nominal.

## Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, May 21 (Reuters).

T.T. on Japan, 96-5/8.

## LONDON METALS EXCHANGE

London, May 21 (Reuters).

	buyers	sellers
TIN		
Standard, Cash 270-1/2	270-3/4	
Standard, 3 months, 208	208-3/4	
Standard, Settlement Price 270-1/2		
Strait	290-3/4 to 295-3/4	

## NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

## QUOTATION

(REUTERS SERVICE)

MAY 10, 1940	STOCKS	Last Sale	MAY 22, 1940	STOCKS	Last Sale
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Adams Express	5	J. & Laughlin Steel	77 pfd.	25 1/2
Allegheny Steel Co.	163	Kennecott Copper		25 1/2
Allied Stores	41	Lake, Foundry & Mac.		21
Allis Chalmers	24 1/2	Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass		32 1/2
Aluminum Ltd.	68	Lockheed Aircraft		29 1/2
Amer. Can.	89 1/2	Loew's Inc.		22
American Cyanamid B.	26 1/2	Lott Incorporated		17
Amer. & Foreign Power	1	Mack Truck Inc.		17 1/2
Amer. Locomotive	10 1/2	Martin, Glen L.		32 1/2
Amer. Metals Co.	14	McKesson & Robbins, pfd.		18
Amer. Radiator	5	Monsanto Chemical		94 1/2
Amer. Rolling Mill	10	Montgomery Ward		32 1/2
Amer. S'ing and R'ing Co.	32	National Aviation		10 1/2
Amer. Sugar Refining	15	Nat. Dairy Products		12 1/2
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	149 1/2	Nat. Distillers		18 1/2
Amer. Tobacco "B"	70 1/2	National Gypsum		5 1/2
Amer. Waterworks	51	National Lead		15 1/2
Anacostia Copper	19	Nat. Power & Light		6
Atchafalpa, T. & S. Fe.	14	National Steel Corp.		48
Auburn Motors	1	National Supply Corp.		5
Aviation Corp.	54	New York Central		9 1/2
Bacoco & Wilcox	19 1/2	Niagara Hudson Power		3 1/2
Baldwin Locomotive	13 1/2	N. American Aviation		18
Baltimore & Ohio	3	Northern American Co.		15 1/2
Barber Asphalt Co.	9	Northern Pacific		4 1/2
Barnes Oil	8	Owens-Illinois Glass Co.		48
Bell Aircraft Corp.	16 1/2	Pacific Gas & Elec.		28 1/2
Bendix Aviation	26 1/2	Pacific Lighting		34
Bethlehem Steel	68 1/2	Packard Motors		21
Bliss & Co.	13 1/2	Pan-American Airways		13 1/2
Boeing Airplane Co.	17 1/2	Paramount Pictures		4 1/2
Borg-Warner	14 1/2	Pennsylvania R.R.		15 1/2
Bridgeport Brass Corp.	8 1/2	Phelps-Dodge		27
Briggs Mfg.	10 1/2	Philadelphia Read. Coal		27 1/2
Brooklyn-Mhattan Trans.	10 1/2	Phillips Petroleum		5 1/2
Brooklyn-Manhattan S.	34	Pittsburg Coke & Iron		5 1/2
Budd Manufacturing Corp.	21	Public Service of N.J.		33 1/2
Canadian Pacific R'way	40	Pullman Inc.		16 1/2
Case, J.I.	21	Pure Oil		7 1/2
Celanese	31 1/2	Radio Corp. of Am.		4 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio	57	Reading Company, Com.		10 1/2
Chrysler Corp.	25 1/2	Remington Arms Co., Inc.		4 1/2
Climax-Molybdenum Co.	70	Republic Aviation Corp.		5
Colts Patent Fire-Arms	4 1/2	Republic Steel		14 1/2
Columbia Gas & Elec.	76	Revere Cop. & Brass Inc.		35 1/2
Columbia 6% "A" pf.	28 1/2	Reynold Tobac. "B"		61
Commercial Credit Co.	1	Richfield Oil		61
Com. & Southern (Ord.)	24 1/2	Safeway Stores		34 1/2
Consolidated Edison	53	Schenley Distillers		7 1/2
Consolidated Oil	34	Sears Roebuck		63
Continental Can	17 1/2	Shell Union Oil		8 1/2
Continental Oil	17	Socom-Vacuum Oil		7 1/2
Copperweld Steel	45	Southern Pacific		7
Corn Products	8 1/2	Southern Ry 55 pfd.		14 1/2
Curtiss Wright (C.)	22	Sperry		34 1/2
Curtiss Wright "A"	14	Spicer Manufacturing Co.		20
Deere & Co.	123	Standard Brands		51
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	74 1/2	Stand Gas & Elec.		11
Douglas Aircraft	149 1/2	Standard Oil of California		17 1/2
Du Pont de Nemours	7 1/2	Standard Oil of N.J.		30 1/2
Eagle Picher Lead	24 1/2	Stone & Webster		5 1/2
Easton Mfg. Co.	25 1/2	Studebaker Corp.		8
Elec. Autolite	4	Swift International		19 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share	42 1/2	Technicolor		8 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share 55 pf.	52	Texas Corp.		34 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share 56 pf.	20	Texas Gulf Sulphur		19 1/2
Elec. Power & Light 57 pf.	9 1/2	Timken-Axle		19 1/2
Fisk Rubber	10 1/2	Trans-America Co.		4 1/2
Flintkote	37	20th Cent. Fox		14 1/2
Gen. American Trans.	29 1/2	20th Cent. Fox 3 1/2 pf.		14 1/2
Gen. Electric	40 1/2	Union Bag & Paper Corp.		10 1/2
Gen. Motors	10 1/2	Union Carbide & Carbon		66
Gen. Railway Signal	10 1/2	Union Pacific		75
Gen. Tire & Rubber	11 1/2	United Aircraft		42 1/2
Gildden Co.	10 1/2	United Airlines Trans.		12 1/2
Goodrich (B.F.)	45	United Corp.		11
Goodrich 55 pf.	13 1/2	United Corp. 33 cum pf.		27 1/2
Goodyear Tire & Co.	11 1/2	United Gas Corp.		1 1/2
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Great Northern Ry. pfd.	18 1/2	U.S. Industrial Alcohol		15 1/2
Great Western Sugar	9 1/2	U.S. Rubber		16 1/2
Greystone Corp.	78 1/2	U.S. Rubber 35 pfd.		70 1/2
Hercules Powder Co.	43 1/2	U.S. Steel		44
Homestead Mining	36	Vanadium		27 1/2
International Harvester	20 1/2	Vulcan Aircraft		8
Int. Nickel	11 1/2	Walworth Co.		34
Int. Paper & Power	21	Warner Bros. Pict.		24
Int. Tel. & Tel.	49	Westinghouse Elec.		8 1/2
Johns-Manville	49	Woodward Iron Cor.		16 1/2
		Chase National Bank		24 1/2
		National City Bank		21 1/2

## DOW JONES AVERAGE

1939/40	High	Low	Dow Jones Averages	May 20, 1940	High	Low	Close	Change
155.92	121.41	30	Industrials	122.43	120.52	110.68	114.13	8.33 off
35.90	23.65	20	Rails	23.98	23.58	21.88	22.14	1.83 off
37.70	19.20	20	Utilities	19.49	19.15	17.49	18.24	1.15 off
32.23	24.51	40	Bonds	24.57	24.23	23.21	24.06	off
65.87	45.59	11	Commodity Index	45.57	45.23	43.21	44.57	1.68 off

## SILVER MARKET

## LONDON SILVER

London, May 21 (Reuters).

Silver—India and speculators bought and sold. Business small. Buyers satisfied. Market quiet. In the afternoon, the market was dull, with sellers at the rate but no buyers.

Spot, 22-9/16d.

Forward, 22-7/16d.

## BOMBAY SILVER

Bombay, May 21 (Reuters).

Market—Quiet. Offtake 150 bars.

## Indian Mint Silver

Ready	62-05
June 3 Settlement	62-04
July 2 Settlement	62-07

## LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, May 22 (Reuters).

The Stock Exchange yesterday was cheerful with gilt-edged securities attracting buyers. Prices were finally higher for Far Eastern bonds. Bank shares recovered and industrials and home rails were mainly better.

The commodities and rubber market was quiet during the afternoon despite the announcement that there was to be no change in the export quota for the remainder of the current year. Wall Street was heavy.

## LONDON GOLD

London, May 21 (Reuters).

Bar Gold, Fine per oz., 168.

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## COMMODITY MARKET REVIEW

(FROM PAYNE &amp; CO.)

New York, May 21, 1940.

SINGAPORE RUBBER	Previous	May 21	Change
	Closing	Opening	
S P O T	38 cts.	38 cts.	38-1/8 up 1/8
JULY-SEPT.	38-3/8	36-3/8	36-5/8 up 1/4
OCT-DEC.	35-1/8	35-1/8	35-1/8 unchanged

The market was steady but quiet.

LONDON RUBBER	Previous close	Today's close	Change
	buyers	buyers	
S P O T	11-3/4	11-11/16	off 1/16
JULY-SEPT.	11-3/4	11-11/16	off 1/16
OCT-DEC.	11-7/16	11-9/16	off 1/8
JAN-MARCH	11-3/16	11-3/8	off 1/16

After ruling steady, the market became dull.

**NEW YORK COTTON:** There was heavy selling at this end on the Bombay straddle, while weakness of securities and less favourable war news were further depressing factors. The Spot and textile markets were slow.

**NEW YORK RUBBER:** The Rubber quota for the third and fourth quarters has been fixed at 80 per cent.

**CHICAGO WHEAT:** The weakness of stocks and conflicting reports of continued German pushes caused renewed liquidation, but selling, however, appears to be diminishing at the decline.

**NEW YORK STOCKS:** Previous close, 122.43; today's close, 114.13; Change off 8.30.

## NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET

(REUTERS SERVICE)

	High	Low	Close	Prev. Today's	Change
New York Cotton, July	9.13	8.98	9.28	9.02	.24 off
New York Rubber, July	20.10	19.30	20.40	19.57	.83 off
Chicago Wheat, Sept.	83 1/2	80	84	82 1/2	1 1/2 off
Chicago Corn, Sept.	61 1/2	59 1/2	62 1/2	61 1/2	1 off
New York Hides, June	10.00	9.00	10.48	9.45N	1.03 off

NEW YORK COTTON	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
July	9.28/28	9.13/12	9.02/02	.24 off
July (New contract)	9.48 N	9.39 A	9.23 N	.25 off
October	8.80/80	8.62/64	8.51/52	.29 off
December	8.70/71	8.54/54	8.41/41	.29 off
January	8.63/63	8.45/48	8.33 N	.30 off
March	8.52/52	8.35/35	8.18/18	.34 off
May	8.40/40	8.25/24	8.05 N	.35 off
Spot	9.91		9.78 N	.15 off

Total sales Monday—37,500 bales.

The last notice day for may cotton: 22-5-40.

NEW YORK RUBBER	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
May	21.25b		20.55/55	.70 off
July	20.40/45	19.80b	19.57/58	.83 off
September	18.50/50	18.55/55	18.05/07	.45 off
December	17.75b/90a	17.95/93	17.35/40	.40 off
January	17.82 N	unquoted	17.25 N	.37 off

Total sales—2,270 tons.

CHICAGO WHEAT	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
May	85 1/8		82 1/2	2 1/2 off
July	83 1/8	80/81	82 1/2	1 1/2 off
September	84 1/4	81 1/8	82 1/2	1 1/2 off

Monday's sales—30,337,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
May	63 1/2		63 1/2	1 off
July	62 1/2	60 1/2	62 1/2	1 off
September	62 1/2	60 1/2	61 1/2	1 off

WINNIPEG WHEAT	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
May	72 1/2		70 1/2	2 off
July	73 1/2	71 1/2	71 1/2	1 1/2 off



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### ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

The following passengers arrived  
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Mrs. J. C. Ellis, Mr. K. Shimada,  
Mr. and Mrs. A. A. French and  
children, Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Tappan.

The following were in transit on  
the same vessel:

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Fish, Mr. P.  
N. Scault, Mme. M. Sugnet.

### DEPARTURES

The following passengers left  
Hongkong yesterday:

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Warning, Mr.  
and Mrs. P. H. Tiedeman, Mr. and  
Mrs. Van den Bergh, Mr. P. L. W.  
Leguit, Mr. and Mrs. D. Seljel, Miss  
L. ter Marsch, Mr. W. Mindertout.

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Esme Prentiss, Helen Ho, Gwyneth  
Lloyd-Jones, Elizabeth Paton,  
Glady Saunders, Vera Silcocks,  
Sheila Anderson, Marie Clarke,  
Dorothy Germain, Mary Goodban,  
Anna Simpson, Jessie Pearson,  
Dorothy Shilton, Helen Lade,  
Mary Wilson, Josephine Chou,  
Elaine Davis, Gillian, Feltham,  
Edith Bousfield, Eileen Kellie.

Members who are now eligible  
for hospital training are asked to  
send in their names so that the  
necessary arrangements can be  
made.

### NOTICE TO MARINERS

Masters of vessels are warned  
that operations in connection  
with the lifting of the mooring  
blocks of A-1 buoy will be in progress  
on May 23, 24 and 25.

The mooring lighters will exhibit  
the usual red flag and  
vessels navigating in the vicinity  
must reduce their speed and proceed  
with caution.

### ANOTHER JAPANESE WARSHIP

TOKYO, May 22 (Reuter).—Another  
Japanese warship will be  
added to the Japanese Fleet when  
the Tsungaru, which is being built  
at the naval yard at Yokosuka,  
will be launched.

### UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS

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Hotel, from Shanghai; Harold  
Arab Kowloon Hotel, from Tokyo;  
A. Byren 77 Jaffe Road, from Kobe.

### WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory

10 a.m., May 22.

Barometer (at sea level), 29.76 ins.

Temperature, 75 F.

Humidity, 84 per cent.

Wind Direction, E.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 5.

Temperature; maximum yesterday,  
77 F.

Temperature; minimum last night,  
70 F.

Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10th  
today, 0.08 ins.

Total rainfall since January 1st,  
25.91 ins.

Against an average of, 18.33 ins.

Sunset tonight, 7 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 5.40 a.m.

4 p.m., May 22.

Barometer (at sea level), 29.72 ins.

Temperature, 74 F.

Humidity, 86 per cent.

Wind Direction, E.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 5.

Maximum temperature, 74 F.

Minimum temperature, 70 F.

Rainfall, nil.

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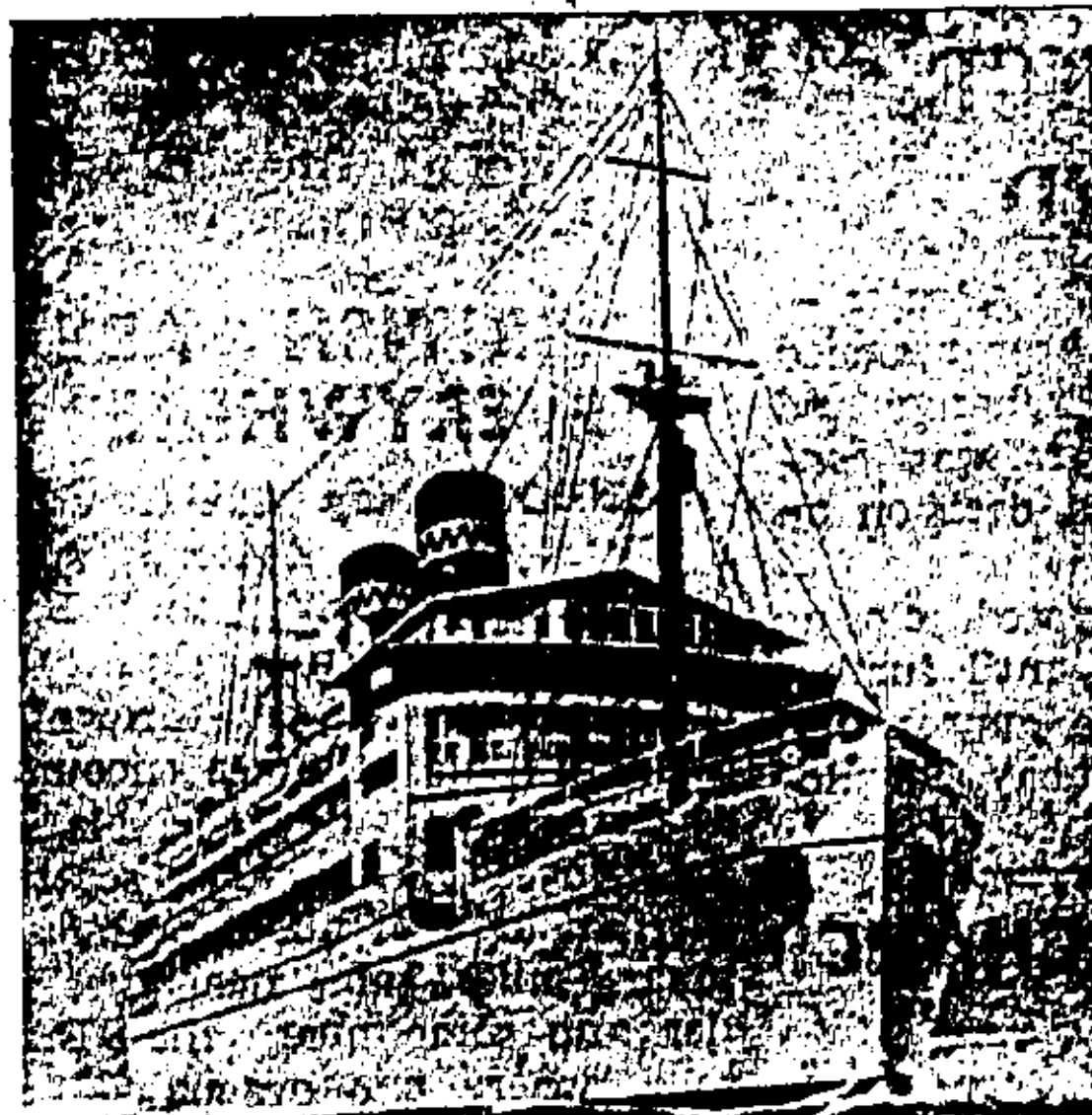
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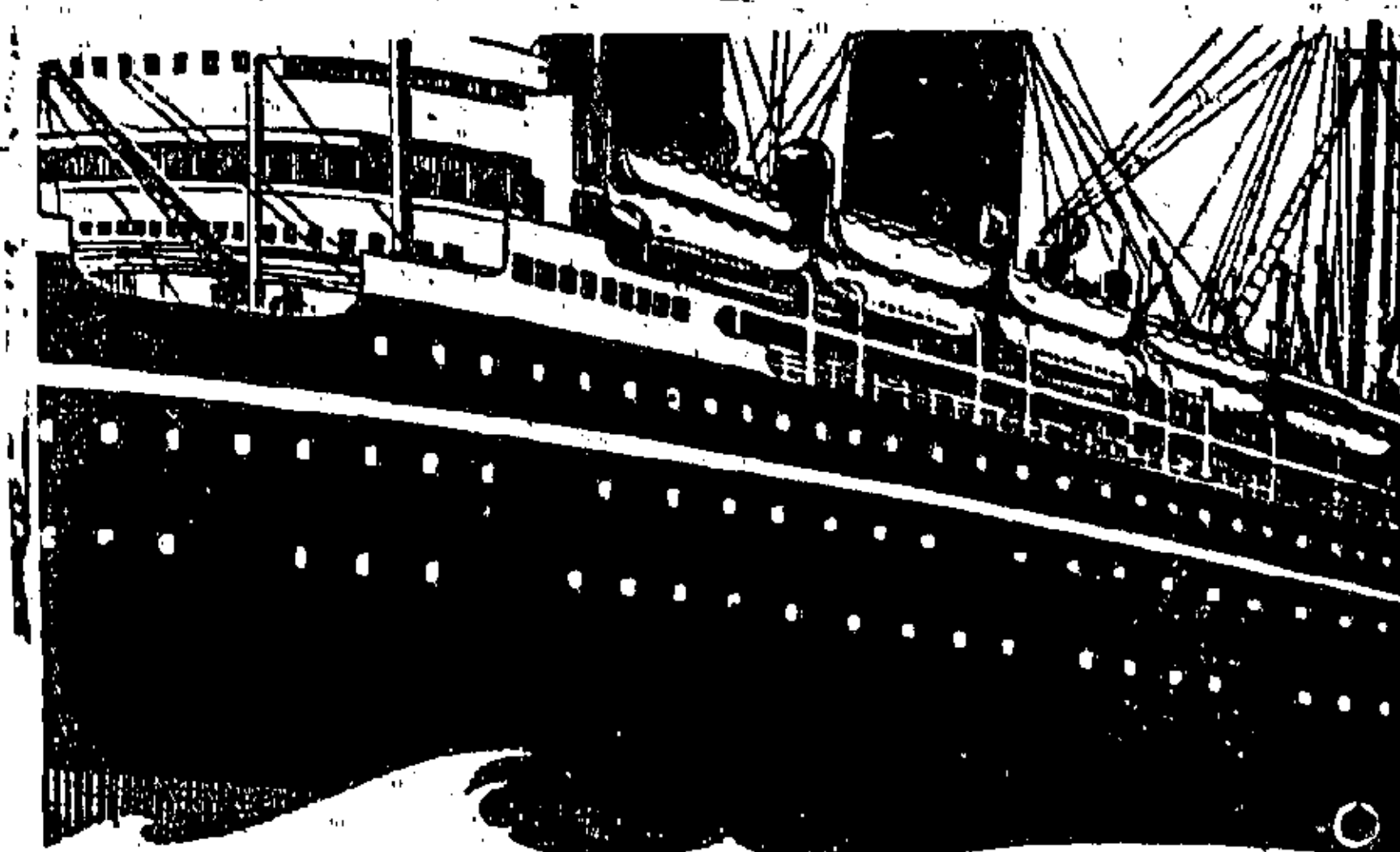
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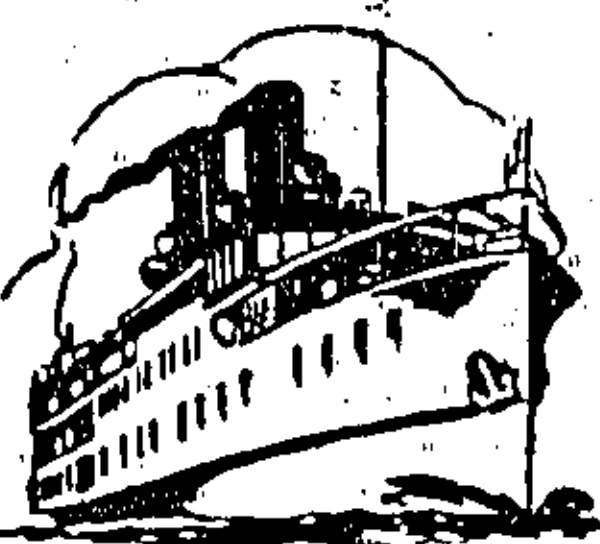
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# French Leave Laon But Germans Thrown Back

## Enemy In Precarious State Unless Reinforced

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter).—Military quarters state the main German efforts are undoubtedly directed towards the Channel ports, with the aim of cutting off communications of the northern wing of the Allied armies.

The British Expeditionary Force is fighting well on the positions assigned to it. Authoritative quarters declare it is impossible to give a clear picture of the general situation on the western front.

The French forces covering Laon, 70 miles north-east of Paris, were yesterday ordered to evacuate, but all German efforts to press forward since their occupation of the town have been easily thrown back.

# Fifth Column Suspects Interned In Britain

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter).—About 20 Dutch and Belgian refugees, suspected of fifth column activities, have been interned by the British police on information from the Continent.

Some, it is stated, were brought to England in British ships.

Great vigilance is being shown over alien refugees in order to frustrate enemy attempts to land fifth column elements in this country.

## TOO STRONG AN ALLIANCE

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter).—The New York Times in an editorial says, "Germany is trying to divide France from Britain physically, as German diplomacy has previously sought to separate the two Allies spiritually. Of one thing we may be certain. That the alliance between France and Britain is unbreakable, as both people have stubborn loyalty and courage, which was never more magnificently displayed than in an hour of great trial."

Both are clear-eyed enough to see that they would be the next inevitable victims of German fury, if either of them could be isolated, and then defeated through the ability of the German army to throw its full strength in one direction or other.

In a union too solid to be broken, either by the terror of total war, or offer for treacherous peace, the two nations will battle for democracy and freedom.

# BOMBAY STOCK EXCHANGE CLOSED

BOMBAY, May 22 (Reuter).—Trading has not yet been resumed on the local Stock Exchange and a meeting of members was convened to formulate a decision on the matter.

The meeting proposed closing the Stock Exchange until further notice subject to the approval of the Governor of Bombay, Sir Roger Lumley.

## "WHEN THE CHANCE COMES . . ."

GOTHENBURG, May 22 (Reuter).—The Göteborgs-posten says, "The situation changes the Allies advantage in the same degree as the German armoured divisions spread. Then, it is not before the Allies' chance will come. General Weygand certainly knows when to grasp that chance."

## POSSESSION OF A DAGGER

Charged with possession of two daggers in Shantung Street about 7 p.m. on May 17, a painter, Man Yu 24, was sentenced by Mr. E. Himsforth at Kowloon Court yesterday to six months' hard labour. He will be recommended for banishment.

Det. Sgt. Morrison, who prosecuted defendant, said that defendant and Choi Fal 33, another painter, were stopped in Shantung Street by a Chinese constable and searched. A paper parcel containing the daggers was found on defendant, and a whistle and chain on the other man.

Both were charged with unlawful possession of arms. The police learned that a fight was to have taken place the same night outside the Mongkok Theatre between two rival gangs, and it was believed defendants were to have taken part in the fight. The second man was discharged for lack of evidence.

The line of the Aisne is secure at all points, and the severest fighting is taking place north of the Somme, round Cambrai which is in Allied hands.

Occupation of Arras and Amlens by German forces came as a shock, but it is pointed out that in the present stage of the battle, in a war of manoeuvre and counter-manoeuve, infiltrations of this nature cannot always be prevented.

### GERMANS IN DANGER

The German troops at these two towns are in a highly precarious position unless the narrow gaps through which the ground forces passed can be considerably widened. They may cause much disorganisation, but cannot hold on unless they get support from large forces.

The French are loud in their praise for the magnificent work of the R.A.F. which they say will go down in history as an example of heroic triumph over tremendous odds. They have intervened at critical stages of the battle on several occasions to smash the resoluteness of German attacks.

## BLENHEIMS BOMB TROOP CENTRES

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter).—The Air Ministry announces that on Monday morning Blenheim aircraft made a successful attack on armoured vehicles in the Arras and Cambrai area.

In the afternoon, heavy bombing attacks were made in the Arras and Bapaume area.

All our aircraft returned.

During the night a large force of R.A.F. bombers attacked troop concentrations in the Cambrai, Le Cateau and St. Quentin area.

CONTINUOUS ENGAGEMENTS  
In the forest of Nouvion, north of the Aisne, a successful attack was made on enemy troops and several large fires were started.

From these operations five of our aircraft failed to return.

Yesterday, our bomber and fighter aircraft were continuously engaged in operations over a confused fighting front in Belgium and northern France.

## "BRITISH ARE EVERYWHERE"

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter).—A message from Reuter's special correspondent with the B.E.F. Somewhere in France says, "there is little light to be thrown on the multitude of fierce encounters occurring in the various places."

As these places are scattered over an area of about a thousand square miles, some near the frontier and some near the British zone, where one evacuated town was the scene of street fighting on Monday, it is still impossible to refer to the front.

A British officer said that the British were everywhere, "fighting like hell."

The spirit of the British soldier remains apparently as high as ever. I saw one lorry load on its way to reinforce one area of battle, filled with singing men.

"Air action continues, on the same scale. On Monday night, I saw street casualties inflicted by German bombs, and no one can count on a night's rest now."

### GRAVER POSITION

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter).—French official circles in London stated last night that the position on the Western Front was "in a way still graver than it was yesterday."

The official ended that the German claims of having occupied Arras and Amlens referred to motorised units only.

"But there will be a French reply and we must wait for this," he declared.

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter).—The Prime Minister in Commons said the Treachery Bill will pass all stages today and Lord Caldecote, at Lords, state it will pass all stages there on May 23.

# LABOUR PARTY SPOKESMAN

## H. B. LEES-SMITH APPOINTED

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter).—The Right Hon. Hastings Bertram Lees-Smith, M.A., D.Sc. (London), M.P., has been appointed by the Parliamentary Labour Party to be Chairman of the Parliamentary Labour Party's Executive.

He will be the chief spokesman of the Labour Party in the House of Commons and will also act in the capacity of Leader of the Opposition, putting questions to the Government and arranging for the conduct of business in the House.

Mr. C. R. Attlee and Mr. Arthur Greenwood remain Leader and Deputy Leader, respectively, of the Parliamentary Labour Party and other members who are members of the Government will retain their status as members of the Party Executive.

Mr. Lees-Smith first joined the Labour Party in 1919. He was Postmaster-General from 1929 to 1931 when he became President of the Board of Education.

## Square Deal Promised

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter).—The spirit of the Merchant Navy has never been better, said Mr. Ronald Cross, Minister of Shipping at the annual congress of the National Union of Seamen yesterday.

Telegrams have been sent pledging loyal support to the Prime Minister and Labour members of the Government.

At the beginning of the war, said Mr. Cross, the Merchant Navy was subjected to violent and ruthless attacks by the enemy. In spite of this there has never been any difficulty about getting ships to sail. They could not have healthy industry without proper conditions and pay for the men, and he would endeavour to see that the Merchant Navy as a whole got a square deal, for owners, officers and men.

### PROFITEERING!

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons yesterday, Mr. I. C. Hannah asked whether the Japanese Army authorities in Tientsin own seven-eighths of the capital in the transport lorry companies, to which they have granted monopoly; that for movement of goods into and out of the British Concession, a \$15 per hour hire is charged; that lorries are deliberately detained at the barriers for from one day to two weeks until sufficient hire for revenue is earned to satisfy the Japanese Military Authorities, the amount being determined in advance for the nature and value of the cargo; and would the Under-Secretary draw the attention of the Japanese Government to this injustice to British interests.

Mr. R. A. Butler replied that Lord Halifax is causing enquiries to be made.

## NON-STOP WORK IN PLANE FACTORIES

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter).—Lord Beaverbrook, Minister of Aircraft Production, has issued an appeal to all employees on aeroplane production to work on Saturday and Sunday, the next week-end and the following week-end.

"They are asked to work by night and day on full overtime for the present," says the appeal.

Any firm unable to follow this advice for any reason is invited to telegraph Lord Beaverbrook explaining the difficulties and everything possible will be done to smooth them out.

## A. A. GUNS IN SOUTH COAST

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter).—Intense anti-aircraft gunfire occurred twice yesterday afternoon off the southeast coast.

Before and after firing the drone of aircraft engines were heard high overhead.

The sound seemed to come from the Channel and south of the Straits of Dover.

It appeared that anti-aircraft guns at that point had been in action.

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter).—On enquiry at the Admiralty regarding the German claims mentioned early, Reuter was informed that no British transport or tankers were sunk on Monday night in Strait Dover by Germans.

# FOREIGN MAILS

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, 23rd MAY, 1940, 9.30 A.M.

### PUBLIC HOLIDAY

On Friday, the 24th May, the General Post Office and Kowloon Central Post Office will be open from 8 a.m. to noon, Sheungwan Branch Post Office will be open from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. and the other Branch Post Offices will be entirely closed.

There will be one collection from the pillar boxes, as on Sundays, one delivery of ordinary correspondence at 11.30 a.m. and one delivery of registered correspondence at 11 a.m.

There will also be one delivery of ordinary correspondence at 11 a.m. from the Branch Post Offices at Stanley, Taiipo and Un Long. The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

### INWARD MAILS

From	Due
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 14th May.	23rd May
Canton	23rd May
Japan and Manila	23rd May
Sandakan	23rd May
Shanghai and Swatow	23rd May
Shanghai	23rd May
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date 15th May.	24th May
Bangkok	24th May
Japan	24th May
Canton	24th May
Saigon	25th May
Straits	25th May
Shanghai	25th May
Japan and Manila	25th May
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 18th May	26th May
Shanghai and Amoy	26th May
Manila	26th May
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan (San Francisco date, 18th April)	28th May
Australia and Manila	28th May
Haiphong	27th May
Haiphong	27th May
Japan and Shanghai	27th May
Shanghai	28th May
Japan	28th May
Java and Manila	28th May
Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date, 22nd May	29th May
Calcutta and Straits	29th May
Shanghai	29th May
Canton	29th May
Japan	30th May
Shanghai	1st June
Australia and Manila	2nd June
Japan and Shanghai	2nd June
Calcutta and Straits	2nd June
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Manila (San Francisco date, 14th May)	3rd June
Straits and Manila	4th June
Java and Manila	6th June
U. S. A. & Manila (San Francisco date, 11th May)	6th June
Canada, U.S.A. Japan and Shanghai — (Vancouver B. C. date, 18th May)	6th June

### OUTWARD MAILS

Registered and Parcel Mail are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day. When mails are advertised to close after 5 p.m., Registered and Parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m.

For	Date and Time
<b>THURSDAY</b>	
Fort Bayard and Haiphong	Noon
	K.P.O.
	Reg. 5.00 PM
	Ord. 5.30 PM
	G.P.O.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A.—by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service"	Reg. 5.00 PM
Shanghai	Ord. 7.00 PM
Amoy	7.00 PM
Dairen	7.00 PM
<b>FRIDAY</b>	
Canton	Fri. 24th 7.15 AM
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	10.30 AM
Tourane, Saigon and Bangkok	Noon
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mombasa, Beira, Lourenco	Noon
Marques, East and South Africa	Noon
Parcels only for Tientsin	Noon
Shanghai	Noon
<b>SATURDAY</b>	
Shanghai and Japan	Sat. 25th Noon
Bangkok	Noon
Shanghai (Parcels only)	Noon
Formosa and Shanghai	3.00 PM
Haiphong	3.00 PM
	G.P.O. & K.P.O.
	Reg. 5.00 PM
	Ord. 5.30 PM
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"	
<b>SUNDAY</b>	
Japan	Sun. 26th 9.00 AM
<b>MONDAY</b>	
Manila	Mon. 27th 6.30 AM
Haiphong	Noon
	K.P.O.
	Parcels 3.00 PM
	Reg. 5.00 PM
	Ord. 5.30 PM
	G.P.O.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Suez and London via Long-Sea-Route	Parcels 3.00 PM
Canton	Reg. 5.00 PM
	Ord. 7.00 PM
<b>TUESDAY</b>	
Manila, Makassar and Sourabaya	Tue. 28th 8.30 AM
	K.P.O.
	Reg. 5.00 PM
	Ord. 5.30 PM
	G.P.O.
	Reg. 5.00 PM
	Ord. 7.00 PM
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"	

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